MINUTES

For the Seventy-Eighth
ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN AMERICA

Scherer Memorial Lutheran Church
The Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall, Pastor
Chapman, Kansas

April 29 to May 2, 1946

Sixty-Sixth
ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the

Women's Missionary Society

Trinity Lutheran Church
The Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, D.D., Pastor
Abilene, Kansas

April 29 - May 2, 1946

ROLL OF SYNOD—Clergy

PASTOR AND ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	POSITION	Ordained	Synod Entered
Alexander, Willard W., 206 W. Seventh Ave., Emporia, Kans.	230	St. Mark's	1935	1945
Baird, H. Vance, 901 South Fifth, Atchison, Kansas	490 and 821	St. Mark's	1922	1943
Bard, Andreas, D.D., Litt.D., 1017 Manheim Rd., K. City 3, Mo.	LO-4191	St. Mark's	1891	1910
Bell, Alfred J., D.D., 115 East South Park, Lawrence, Kansas	2865 and 1831-J	Trinity	1923	1937
Bergstresser, Fuller, D. D., 514 W. 3rd, Abilene, Kansas	1306	Trinity	1894	1926
deFreese, K., D. D., 213 East Division, Peabody, Kansas	231	St. Paul's	1916	1935
Eaton, Olney E., 322 N. Jefferson, Wellington, Kansas		St. John's	1945	1945
Ebright, Oak W., D. D., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska	4-2152	Supt. Tabitha Home	1919	1936
Eller, George W., 613 Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas	454	Zion	1925	1930
Ensrud, Joseph O., Fort Sam Houston, Texas		Chaplain	1912	1926
Freeberg, Arthur, Box 57, Bendena, Kansas	35	St. John's	1945	1945
Frobenius, Reno R., 316 South 10, St. Joseph, Missouri	2-8378	First	1930	1943
Gaston, Robert E., 313 North Elm, Eureka, Kansas	1025	Christ	1930	1929
Gilmer, E. H., 851 Church Lane, Philadelphia 38, Pa.		Retired	1911	1939
Gilmer, Max, Theological Seminary, Maywood, Illinois			1935	1934
Harrison, Eugene R., 1015 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kans.	246	Zion	1932	1931
Havekost, Alvin D., 801 North 17, Kansas City 2, Kansas	DR 3690	Trinity	1935	
Henning, Wilfred H., Waterville, Kansas	58	St. Mark's and First	1945	1945
Jensen, Samuel W., 517 Lecta Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas		St. Luke's	1941	1943
Klover, Major W. Wilbur		Chaplain	1931	1931
Lantz, Benjamin R., D.D., 310 S. Seventh Street, Salina, Kans.	1004 and 2150	St. John's	1898	1904
McConnell, D. L., Rockport, Missouri	224	First and St. Peter's	1914	1923
McCulloch, J. A., D.D., 2710 Blue Ridge, Rt. 9, K. City 3, Mo.	CL 4603	Retired	1898	1921
Mendenhall, Alfred L., Chapman, Kansas	4511	Sherer Memorial	1937	1944
Naugle, Calvin J., 5007 Independence Ave., Kansas City 1, Mo.	BE 6247	Children's Memorial	1928	1945
Oelke, Otto K., Glasco, Kansas	81	St. Paul's	1939	1942
Pett, Herbert H., Lancaster, Kansas	302	St. John's	1937	1948
Rangeler, Ralph E., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska		Asst. Supt., Tabitha Home	1919	1940
Schaub, G. C., Ph. D., 33 North Chapel, Elgin, Illinois		Retired	1898	1919
Search, George L., 1207 Fort Street, Hays, Kansas	649	Trinity	1932	1931
Shirek, Franklin, Greenleaf, Kansas	81	Trinity and St. Paul's	1945	1944
Stauffer, Ezra E., D.D., 839 North Market, Wichita, Kansas	3-0763 and 3-0810	St. Paul's	1898	1897
Swan, Lightner A., 912 South Osage, Sedalia, Missouri		Trinity	1931	1946
Tonsing, Ernest F., Fifth and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas	8273	First	1936	1934
Weitzenkamp, L. C., Wakeeney, Kansas		Bethlehem	1932	1946
Wiest, Charles F., D. D., 508 W. 7th Street, Hays, Kansas	85	P. Emeritus, Trinity (retired)	1898	1902
Whittecar, George R., 324 West 5th, Tulsa, Oklahoma	3-8770	First	1935	1934
Zabel, Norbert, Washington University, St. Louis 5, Missouri			1939	1939

ROLL OF SYNOD

Laymen

Name and Address	Congregation
Aistatt, Vincent, 209 W. 24th, Hutchinson, Kansas	Zion
Anderson, H. P., 421 E. 5th, Beloit, Kansas	Zion
Barber, Ward, Abilene, Kansas	Trinity
Bumgarner, E. L., Route 4, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma	First (Tulsa)
Carr, John W., 603 Spring Street, Atchison, Kansas	St. Mark's
Coleman, Earl, Wakeeney, Kansas	Bethlehem
Halbert, E. F., Chapman, Kansas	Scherer Memorial
Hangen, Jessie, Jr., RFD., Wellington, Kansas	St. John's
Henderson, C. B., 933 Randolph, Topeka, Kansas	First
Johnson, Clarence, 506 N. Plum, Eureka, Kansas	Christ
Kreisel, Miss Lillie, R. N., Cole Camp, Missouri	United
Lampert, Henry, Simpson, Kansas	St. Paul's (Glasco)
Lee, Gerald, 3623 Everett Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas	Trinity
Mackey, H. M., Wichita, Kansas	St. Paul's
Morgan, Q. A., Route 3, Sedalia, Missouri	Trinity
Ryan, Guy, 137 North 8th, Salina, Kansas	St. John's
Scholz, Gilbert, Huron, Kansas	St. John's (Lancaster)
Swanson, Arthur F., Experiment Station, Hays, Kansas	Trinity
Tiemeyer, Raymond H., Tarkio, Missouri	St. Peter's and First (Rockport, Langdon)
Vogel, John, Route 5, Lawrence, Kansas	Trinity
Wehry, H. H., Peabody, Kansas	St. Paul's
Wilke, William, Troy, Kansas	St. John's (Bendena)

Laymen Serving on Synod Board or Committees

Name and Address	Position
Bang, Louis T., 115 E. South Park, Lawrence, Kansas	Treasurer Emeritus of Synod
Barber, Ward, Abilene, Kansas	Lutheran World Action
Blumburg, Sister Eleanor, 324 West 5, Tulsa 5, Oklahoma	Parish Education
Brandborg, Gustav, 1532 East 36th Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma	1st Alternate to U.L.C.A.; Lutheran World Action
Bumgarner, E. L., Route 4, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma	Publications
Carr, John W., 603 Spring Street, Atchison, Kansas	Brotherhood
Darby, Paul, 120 East Beloit, Salina, Kansas	Social Missions
Deschner, Will, 701 Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas	Camp Wa-Shun-Ga
Easterday, Miss Louise, 839 North Market, Wichita, Kansas	Luther League
Easterday, Wayne, 624 Grandview, Topeka, Kansas	Social Missions
Ellenberger, Miss Catharine, 416 Exchange, Emporia, Kansas	Treasurer of Synod; Executive Committee; Camp Wa-Shun-Ga; Stewardship and Benevolence
Emmerich, Mrs. C. C., 1114 Amidon Avenue, Wichita, Kansas	Foreign Missions
Fennell, A. D., 5945 Paseo, Kansas City 4, Missouri	Delegate to U.L.C.A.
Goult, A. H., 323 Spruce, Kansas City, Missouri	Home Missions; Brotherhood
Guenther, Wm., 1901 Lovers' Lane, St. Joseph, Missouri	3d Alternate to U.L.C.A.
Harkness, Charles Jr., Greenleaf, Kansas	Statistician; 2nd Alternate to U.L.C.A.
Hill, Ferris, 727 Market, Emporia, Kansas	Executive Committee
Jensen, Mrs. J. P., 600 Louisiana, Lawrence, Kansas	Foreign Missions
Kessler, Miss Katherine, 414 West 4th, Hays, Kansas	Luther League
Kloepper, Fred, Lancaster, Kansas	Midland College
Kunkle, Norman, Lawrence, Kansas	Work with Students
Lee, Gerald, 3623 Everett Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas	Delegate to U.L.C.A.; Executive Committee; Brotherhood
Ryan, Guy, 137 North 8th, Salina, Kansas	Delegate to U.L.C.A.; Ministerial Education
Sanborn, Austin, Chapman, Kansas	Tabitha Home
Scholz, Gilbert, Huron, Kansas	Luther League
Swanson, Arthur F., Experiment Station, Hays, Kansas	Executive Committee
Tonsing, Evan, 503 Commercial, Atchison, Kansas	Reporter to The Lutheran; Midland College; Brotherhood
Tonsing, Mrs. Robert, 1657 Arkansas Avenue, Wichita, Kansas	Secretary Children of Church
Vague, Mrs. Ralph, Wilson, Kansas	Foreign Missions
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Wertz, H. L., 908 E. Douglas, Wichita, Kansas	4th Alternate to U.L.C.A.; Home Missions

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The 1946 APPORTIONMENT

To United Lutheran Church in America	$3.00
To Midland College	1.20
To Tabitha Home	.25
For Home Missions	.40
For Kansas Synold Lutheran	.15
For Ministerial Education	.05
For Synod Treasurer	.45
Basis per Communicant Member	$5.50

Congregation	Members	Apportionment
Abilene	237	$1,287.00
Atchison	400	2,200.00
Beloit	109	599.50
Bendena	130	715.00
Bunkerhill	—	—
Chapman	86	473.00
Cole Camp	70	385.00
Emporia	144	792.00
Eureka	110	605.00
Fort Smith	62	341.00
Glasco	95	522.50
Greenleaf, Trinity	57	313.50
Greenleaf ,St. Paul	52	286.00
Hays	149	819.50
Hutchinson	172	946.00
Kansas City, Ch. Mem.	189	1,039.50
Kansas City, St. Mark	316	1,738.00
Kansas City, Trinity	258	1,419.00
Lancaster	150	825.00
Langdon	97	533.50
Lawrence	464	2,552.00
Long Island	13	71.50
New Cambria, St. Paul	28	154.00
New Cambria, Peace	42	231.00
Norcatur	15	82.50
Peabody	120	660.00
Perth	—	—
Rockport	248	1,364.00
Salina	774	4,257.00
Sedalia	82	451.00
St. Joseph	528	2,804.00
Topeka	206	1,133.00
Tulsa	281	1,545.50
Valley Falls	38	209.00
Wakeeney	120	660.00
Waterville, St. Mark	132	726.00
Waterville, First	21	115.50
Wellington	59	324.50
Wichita	592	3,256.00
Wilson	60	330.00

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

For the Year Ending De cember 31, 1945

First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geographical Location	COUNTY	Population	Pastor As of December 31, 1945	Language Used	MEMBERSHIP								
									BAP.			CONF.			COM.		
									Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss
1	Emporia	St. Mark's	1884	7th & Constitution	Lyon	x	W. W. Alexander	E	410	—	58	230	—	62	144	12	—
2	Eureka	Christ's	1873	320 N. Elm	Greenwood	†	Robert E. Gaston	E	396	2	—	277	—	3	110	—	26
3	Fort Smith, Ark.	St. Luke's	1929	May & Alabama	Sebastian	‡	Samuel W. Jensen	E	177	24	—	145	11	—	62	—	8
4	Hutchinson	Zion's	1888	11th & Washington	Reno	‡	Eugene R. Harrison	E	412	23	—	297	17	—	172	12	—
5	Okla. City, Okla.	First Lutheran	1902	1300 N. Robinson	Oklahoma	‡	Disbanded				153			124			60
6	Peabody	St. Paul's	1887	Sycamore-Division	Marion	*	Klaas de Freese, D.D.	E	457	11	—	307	4	—	120	2	—
7	Perth	St. James	1887	Perth	Sumner	0	Vacant	E	33	—	—	32	—	—	—	—	—
8	Tulsa, Okla.	First Lutheran	1909	324 W. 5th	Tulsa	†	George R. Whittecar	E	637	27	—	483	13	—	281	—	12
9	Wellington	St. John's	1888	322 N. Jefferson	Sumner	x	Olney E. Eaton	E	152	4	—	123	—	3	59	—	3
10	Wichita	St. Paul's	1909	839 N. Market	Sedgwick	‡	E. E. Stauffer, D.D.	E	1221	61	—	832	43	—	592	46	—
							1st Conference Totals		3895	152	211	2726	88	192	1540	72	109

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	St. Mark's	1868	6th and Park	Atchison	x	H. Vance Baird	E	875	7	—	604	7	—	400	56	—
2	Bendena	St. John's	1913	Bendena	Doniphan	0	Arthur Freeburg	E	427	2	—	277	5	—	130	29	—
3	Cole Camp, Mo.	Cole Camp United	1927	Cole Camp	Benton	*	Vacant	E	130			104			70		
4	Kansas City, Mo.	Chil. Memorial	1884	5001 Independence Ave.	Jackson	‡	Calvin J. Naugle	E	562	6	—	304	—	4	189	—	18
5	Kansas City, Mo.	St. Mark's	1867	Troost Ave. & 38th	Jackson	‡	Andreas Bard, D.D.	E	887	39	—	703	15	—	316	15	—
6	Kansas City, Ks.	Trinity	1902	17th & Ann Ave.	Wyandotte	‡	Alvin D. Havekost	E	414	25	—	314	14	—	258	16	—
7	Lancaster	St. John's	1905	Lancaster	Atchison	0	Herbert H. Pett	E	234	5	—	200	6	—	150	16	—
8	Langdon, Mo.	St. Peter's	1871	Langdon	Atchison	0	D. L. McConnell	E	251	1	—	163	—	—	97	5	—
9	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	13th & New Hampshire	Douglas	*	Alfred J. Beil, D.D.	E	1068	20	—	823	9	—	464	5	—
							Marling J. Fellner, Asst.										
10	Rockport, Mo.	First Lutheran	1858	Rockport	Atchison	*	D. L. McConnell	E	611	28	—	353	8	—	248	55	—
11	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1894	912 S. Osage	Pettis	x	Lightner A. Swan	E	192	—	—	152	—	—	82	—	—
12	St. Joseph, Mo.	First Eng. Lutheran	1894	10th & Charles	Buchanan	‡	Reno R. Frobenius	E	1038	50	—	867	39	—	528	19	—
13	Topeka	First Lutheran	1867	Fifth & Harrison	Shawnee	‡	R. E. Rangeler	E	432	11	—	377	15	—	206	8	—
14	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1857	701 Frazier	Jefferson	*	Vacant	E	172	2	—	115	—	1	38	—	—
							2nd Conference Totals		7293	196	—	5356	118	5	3176	224	18

Third — Western or Salina Conference

Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geographical Location	COUNTY	Population	Pastor As of December 31, 1945	Language Used	MEMBERSHIP BAP. Number of Members	BAP. Net Gain	BAP. Net Loss	CONF. Number of Members	CONF. Net Gain	CONF. Net Loss	COM. Number of Members	COM. Net Gain	COM. Net Loss
1	Abilene	Trinity	1870	Fourth and Cedar	Dickinson	†	Fuller Bergstresser	E	447	5	—	335	—	8	237	8	—
2	Beloit	Zion	1886	Seventh and Mill	Mitchell	†	George W. Eller	E	230	12	—	159	5	—	109	10	—
3	Bunkerhill*	Mt. Zion	1872	Bunkerhill	Russell	0	Vacant		100			66					
4	Chapman	Sherer Memorial	1889	426 Broadway	Dickinson	•	A. L. Mendenhall	E	152	—	7	116	—	6	86	3	—
5	Glasco	St. Paul's	1886	Glasco	Cloud	•	Otto K. Oelke	E	257	1	—	185	—	5	95	—	5
6	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	Greenleaf	Washington	•	J. Franklin Shirck	E	131	4	—	90	—	2	57	1	—
7	Haye	Trinity	1878	Thirteenth and Fort	Ellis	†	George L. Search	E	301	24	—	244	39	—	149	25	—
8	Kipp*	St. Paul's	1874	Two m. S. one mi. W. Kipp	Saline	0	Vacant	E	114			97			28		
9	Long Island	St. Paul's	1886	Long Island	Phillips	0	Vacant	E	56			29			13	13	—
10	Marysville	First	1874	Six mi. W. 1 mi. S. Marysville	Marshall	0	Wilfred H. Henning	E	62	—	1	57	—	1	21	—	9
11	New Cambria*	Peace	1875	New Cambria	Saline	0	Vacant	E	148	—	•	106	—	—	42	—	—
12	Norcatur	St. Mark's	1888	Norcatur	Decatur	0	Vacant	E	67	2	—	34	—	1	15	—	—
13	Salina	St. John's	1873	300 S. Seventh	Saline	x	Benjamin R. Lantz	E	1897	59	—	1367	35	—	774	58	—
14	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	1905	Wakeeney	Trego	•	G. C. Schaub, Ph.D. (S)	E	361	—	19	216	—	16	120	5	—
15	Washington	St. Paul's	1886	Four mi. E. Washington	Washington	0	J. Franklin Shirck	E	101	1	—	81	8	—	52	1	—
16	Waterville	St. Mark's	1871	Waterville	Marshall	•	Wilfred H. Henning	E	344	—	4	287	—	5	132	—	1
17	Wilson	Excelsior	1886	Seven mi. E. 1 mi N. Wilson	Ellsworth	0	Vacant	E	157	1	—	125	—	1	60	—	—
							3rd Conference Totals		4925	109	31	3594	87	40	1990	119	15
							Totals Cong. Pas. Vac.										
							1945 40 28 —		16113	—	—	11676	—	—	6706	—	—
							1944 41 27 —		15898	—	—	11620	—	—	6433	—	—
							Increase 1 — —		215	—	—	56	—	—	273	—	—
							Decrease 1 — —										

POPULATION:
‡ Over 100,000
§ 25,000 to 100,000
x 10,000 to 25,000
† 2,500 to 10,000
• 500 to 2,500
0 Under 500

First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Name of Place	MEMBERSHIP																						EDUCATION															
					CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS									PARISH												Higher			
					Acces'ns			Losses							Accessions				Losses					Sunday Schools			Weekday Schools			Child. of Ch							
		Baptised	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Tran. by Con.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirm.	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Member	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In other Luth. Inst.	In Non-Luth. Inst.			
1	Emporia, St. Mark's	410	230	144	7		7	3				3	4		2	3	3		8	3		67	70	1	14	59						5	27	8			3		
2	Eureka, Christ's	396	277	110	5		5						5		1		2		3	3	3		6	1	8	50		8								1	9		
3	Ft. Smith, Ark., St. Luke's	177	145	62	3	10	13						13				12		12		1		1	1	17	67		7	1	9	81			2					
4	Hutchinson, Zion's	412	297	172	14	2	16	6	1	3		10	6		5	6	11	4	26	3	6		9	1	10	160								8		1	8		
5	Okla. City, Okla., 1st Luth.										29	29		29								124	124																
6	Peabody, St. Paul's	457	307	120	5	5	10	2	1			3	7		2	2	6		10	4	2		6	1	12	110	5	14						8			2		
7	Perth, St. James	33	32																																				
8	Tulsa, Okla., 1st Lutheran	637	483	281	18	7	25	4	3	4		11	14		3	6	19	1	29	6	9	1	16	1	24	240	15	60				2	16	31	2	1	20		
9	Wellington, St. John's	152	123	59	3	4	7						7		1		2		3	2	4		6	1	14	50											1		
10	Wichita, St. Paul's	1221	832	592	22	14	36	10		8		18	18		10	24	28	16	78	4	31		35	1	21	311		85	1	3	46			48			7		
	First Conference Totals	3895	2726	1540	77	42	119	25	5	15	29	74	45		24	41	83	21	169	25	56	192	273	8	120	1047	20	174	2	12	127	7	43	105		3	46		

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison, St. Mark's	875	604	400	17	4	21	17	2	2		21			4	17	4		25	14	4		18	1	31	256		27	2	2	192	3	24	21		1	9		
2	Bendena, St. John's	427	277	130	5	1	6	9				9		3		9	4		13	4	4		8	1	12	125	12	20									1		
3	Cole Camp, Mo., United	130	104	70																				1	10	46													
4	Kan. City, Mo., Chil. Mem.	562	304	189	8	2	10						10		3		8	1	12	1	9	6	16	1	19	118								10			2		
5	Kan. City, Mo., St. Mark's	887	703	316	28		28	4				4	24		4	19	24		47	11	16	5	32	1	28	344		39						8		1	11		
6	Kan. City, Kan., Trinity	414	314	258	6	9	15	1		3		4	11		3	1	9	10	23	5	4		9	1	30	150		30	1	14	82	5	40	12	1		7		
7	Lancaster St. John's	234	200	150	4		4	5				5		1		7	3		10	4			4	1	13	85		10				3	25	2			1		
8	Langdon, Mo., St. Peter's	251	163	97	1		1						1					1	1		1		1	1	8	105		21						8					
9	Lawrence, Trinity	1068	823	464	26	4	30	11		8		19	11		10	22	35		67	10	23	25	58	1	38	365		36	1	10	98			22			23		
10	Rockport, Mo., 1st Luth.	611	353	248	4	21	25	5				5	20		6	5	7		18		4	6	10	1	10	220		56						31			2		
11	Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	192	152	82																				1	7	48													
12	St. Jos., Mo., 1st Eng. Lut.	1038	867	528	14	5	19	5	1	2		8	11		3	19	21	3	46	4	3		7	1	46	476	20	23				5	27	7	1	3	16		
13	Topeka, 1st Lutheran	432	377	206	4	6	10	10		4		14		4	2	10	16		28	1	12		13	1	16	75		12						10		3	3		
14	Valley Falls, St. Paul's	172	115	38	3		3						3				1		1	2			2	1	7	30		1									1		
	Second Conference Totals	7293	5356	3176	120	52	172	67	3	19		89	83		35	109	132	15	291	56	80	42	178	14	275	2443	32	275	4	26	372	16	116	140	2	8	76		

Index Number	Name of Place	MEMBERSHIP																					EDUCATION																		
					CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS									PARISH																		
					Acces'ns			Losses							Accessions					Losses				Sunday Schools				Wkdy. Schls.		Child. of Ch.		Higher										
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Trans. by Con.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In oth. Lu. In.	In Non-Luth. In.				
1	Abilene, Trinity	447	335	237	8		8						8		6		4	8	18	4	7	10	21	1	20	100	10	35						8			6				
2	Beloit, Zion	230	159	109	6	1	7						7		1		6		7	2			2	1	11	69		10	1	3	18			14		2	5				
3	Bunkerhill, Mt. Zion	100	66																																						
4	Chapman, Sherer Memorial	152	116	86	1		1		2			2		1			2		2		8		8	1	20	80						4	34	5			2				
5	Glasco, St. Paul's	257	185	95	7		7				1	1	6		1		6		7		8	4	12	1	10	65								11			5				
6	Greenleaf, Trinity	131	90	57	6		6						6			2			2	1	3		4	1	7	35		10				4	20	2			2				
7	Hays, Trinity	301	244	149	2		2	8			9	17		15	2	9	2	33	46	1	6		7	1	13	60		18						10			5				
8	Kipp, St. Paul's	114	97	28																																					
9	Long Island, St. Paul's	56	29	13																														3							
10	Marysville, First	62	57	21																1			1	1	3	18								1							
11	New Cambria, Peace	148	106	42																				1	5	20															
12	Norcatur, St. Mark's	67	34	15	3		3						3		1				1		2		2	1		20															
13	Salina, St. John's	1897	1367	774	23	23	46	21		1		22	24		13	25	18	1	57	16	6		22	1	44	432		58				6	41	22			9				
14	Wakeeney, Bethlehem	361	216	120	6		6	9				9		3		9	16		25	2	39		41	1	13	120		35						12							
15	Washington, St. Paul's	101	81	52	1		1	8				8		7		8			8					1	6	35															
16	Waterville, St. Mark's	344	287	132	2		2		1			1	1				1		1	3	3		6	2	8	68								8		1	2				
17	Wilson, Excelsior	157	124	60	2		2						2							1			1	1	18	52		4									1			
	3rd Conference Totals	4925	3594	1990	67	24	91	46	1	3	10	60	31		24	53	55	42	174	31	82	14	127	15	178	1174	10	170	1	3	18	14	95	96		3	37				
	1945	16113	11676	4706	264	118	382	138	9	37	39	223	159		83	203	270	78	634	112	218	248	578	37	573	4664	62	619	7	41	517	37	254	341	2	14	158				
	1944	15898	11620	6433	325	129	454	119	14	43	157	333	121		108	225	221	44	598	126	202	112	440	34	538	4181	51	587	15	55	567	41	304	292	3	8	91				
	Increase	215	56	273				19					38				49	34	36		16	136	138	3	35	483	11	32						49		6	67				
	Decrease				61	11	72		5	6	118	110			25	22				14									8	14	50	4	50		1						

Index Number	Name of Place	GROUP ORGAN. Men's Number	Men's Members	Wom. Number	Wom. Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Young People Number	Young People Members	FINANCIAL — VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and Parish House	Endowment	Other	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE — Unapportioned: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolences	Total	Apportion: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total
1	Abilene	1	25	3	120					38000	8000		1 000		47000		4422	798	5220	100			393	2500	2993	1287	900	3893	9113
2	Beloit			2	31			1	12	6000	3000	3000		1117	13117		2006	236	2242	77	16		42	297	432	544	317	749	2991
3	Bunkerhill*			1	15					1500	1000				2500									96	96			96	96
4	Chapman	1	15	2	50					30000	2000		3 440		35440		2497	66	2563	327	5		15	121	468	456	457	925	3488
5	Glasco			2	55					4000	4000		2 177		10177		2143	441	2584					224	224	550	567	791	3375
6	Greenleaf			2	24					3500	750				4250		1057	191	1248	72			16	83	171	308	196	367	1615
7	Hays			3	75			1	16	35000	8000			3348	46348		3498	498	3996	245			12	297	554	682	682	1236	5232
8	Kipp*									7000					7000		400		400							154	48	48	448
9	Long Island									400					400														
10	Marysville									2500					2500		201		201	70				57	127	165	139	266	467
11	New Ca'b'ia*			1	15					5500	2500				8000		383		383							231	20	20	403
12	Norcatur			1	30					1000	500				1500		189		189					96	96	82	82	178	367
13	Salina	1	32	9	437	1	35	4	99	75000	7500		10 350		92850		10058		10058	1595	243	40	513	1124	3515	3938	3938	7453	17511
14	Wakeeney			3	60			1	17		4500			1000	5500		1720	715	2435	15	40		7	137	199	623	500	699	3134
15	Washington			1	20					3000	750				3750		638		638	159	173	47		41	420	280	280	700	1338
16	Waterville			3	105			1	7	9500	5000	3200			17700		2296	15	2311	274	94			233	601	731	485	1086	3397
17	Wilson			2	30					3000				500	3500		561	192	753	49	30	66	106	135	386	330	344	730	1483
	Totals	3	72	35	1067	1	35	8	145	224900	47500	6200	16 967	5965	301532		32069	3152	35221	2983	601	1 53	1104	5441	10282	10361	8955	19237	54458
	1945	16	501	96	2871	3	90	28	570	1104783	164544	39200	41 326	44135	1393988	45503	135680	27414	163094	9896	2953	3 94	3824	17551	34618	35372	38579	68197	231291
	1944	16	465	88	2666	3	80	25	473	1160191	162784	38700	28 162	31021	1420858	56239	112987	32002	144989	1520	1955	8 13	4840	11998	21126	33445	28962	50088	195077
	Increase		36	8	205		10	3	97		1760	500	14 164	13114			22693		18105	8376	998			5553	13492	1927	4617	18109	36214
	Decrease									55408					26870	10736		4588				4 19	1016						

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1	Emporia	1	20	3	88					20000	3500		5000		28500		4250	721	4971	14	228	18	38		298	726	726	1024	5995
2	Eureka	1	46	1	97			1	19	73500	5000				78500		3045	334	3379	100	247			282	629	748	221	850	4229
3	Ft. Smith, Ar.			3	24			1	7	14000	6000	4000			24000	7869	2123	562	2685				88	254	342	385	385	727	3412
4	Hutchinson.	1	25	2	65					50000	7000				57000		4079	1917	5996					662	662	880	1190	1852	7848
5	Okla. City																							80	80	330	82	162	162
6	Peabody.	1	36	3	59	1	25	1	19	52300	3500				55800		3474	501	3975	110	103	55	108		376	649	650	1026	5051
7	Perth									1500	800				2300												77	77	77
8	Tulsa, Okla.	1	25	2	60			2	37	35000	5000			11977	51977		7542	228	7770	1267	144		77	1003	2491	1611	1611	4102	11872
9	Wellington			3	35					4000	4000	3000	1708		12708		1182		1182	155			80	97	332	341	346	678	1860
10	Wichita	1	65	3	125			1	24	20000	8500	6000		18579	53079	500	7867	3304	11171	1295	514		441	1217	3467	3003	3864	7331	18502
	Totals	6	217	20	553	1	25	6	106	270300	43300	13000	6708	30556	363864	8369	33562	7567	41129	2941	1236	73	832	3595	8677	8673	9152	17829	58958

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	1	25	3	96			2	44	50000	7000			1200	58200		5782	450	6232	783	40		713	898	2434	1892	1507	3941	10173
2	Bendena			3	68			1	25	20000	2000		4000		26000		2578		2578					584	584	555	455	1039	3617
3	Cole Camp			1	22					12000	2000				14000		1693		1693					521	521	385	375	896	2589
4	Kans. C., Mo.	1	22	5	96			1	17	30000	2000			1414	33414		5966	836	6802	603			65	931	1599	1139	1139	2738	9540
5	Kans. C., Mo.			7	258			1	10	200000	10000	20000			230000		16523	1880	18403	774		140	284	1192	2390	1655	2046	4436	22839
6	Kans. C., Ks.	1	25	3	70			1	18	45000	15000				60000	31934	4918	1948	6866	76	141		50	432	699	1331	1333	2032	8898
7	Lancaster	1	15	2	45			1	35	6000	3500				9500		3830		3830		5		51	74	130	737	410	540	4370
8	Langdon, Mo.			1	24					5000					5000		1556		1556				101	133	234	506	566	800	2356
9	Lawrence	1	80	5	227			3	75	88583	11244				99827	3400	6633	5936	12569	1026	585	28		1010	2649	2524	2524	5173	17742
10	Rockport, Mo.			1	24					10000	5000		1000		16000		1930	255	2185		25		172	256	453	1061	1061	1514	3699
11	Sedalia, Mo.			1	24					6000	4000				10000		2010		2010					189	189	451	451	640	2650
12	St. Joseph	1	75	4	203	1	30	2	63	100000	9000		12651	5000	126651		11120	390	11510	400	231		327	1653	2611	2800	2800	5411	16921
13	Topeka	1	20	3	64			1	22	31000					31000		4206	5000	9206	31	89		125	550	795	1089	573	1368	10574
14	Valley Falls			2	30			1	10	6000	3000				9000	1800	1304		1304	279				92	371	209	228	509	1903
	Totals	7	212	41	1251	1	30	14	319	609583	73744	20000	17651	7614	728592	37134	70049	16695	86744	3972	1116	168	1888	8515	15659	16334	15468	31127	117871

PROCEEDINGS

of the

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

The First Session—April 29, 1946

The seventy-eighth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States convened with the service of Holy Communion in Sherer Memorial Lutheran Church, Chapman, Kansas, Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall, Pastor, at 7:30 o'clock, Monday, April 29, 1946. Rev. George L. Search, Secretary of Synod was liturgist and Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., President of Synod, preached the communion sermon. Delegates and visitors participated in the service.

Following the service a reception was held in the church parlor.

The Second Session—April 30, 1946

Devotions were led by the convention chaplain, Rev. Franklin Shirck, Greenleaf.

The Synod was formally opened, using the order provided in the Common Service.

New clerical members of synod were introduced: Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, Kansas City; Rev. Arthur Freeberg, Bendena; Rev. Lightner A. Swan, Sedalia; Rev. Louis C. Weitzenkamp, Wakeeney.

Clergy serving in the Synod, but not members of this Synod were introduced: Rev. W. C. Miller, California Synod, serving at Wellington; Rev. George N. Mendenhall, Ph. D., Nebraska Synod, serving various vacant congregations; Rev. Harold Hamilton (licensed) Nebraska Synod, assisting the president at Lawrence.

Other visitors of the Second session were introduced at various times during the session as follows:

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D. D., pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Jackson, Miss., President of the Mississippi Synod and official representative from the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. to Synod.

Rev. Milton Vogel, Executive Secretary of the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education.

Mr. Louis T. Bang, Treasurer-Emeritus of Synod.

Mr. Gene Smith, assisting Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz, and occasionally serving vacant congregations near Salina.

The President's Report was presented and was referred to the committee on President's Report. The report of this committee is on page 22.

The report of the Executive Committee was presented and was referred to the committee on Executive Committee Report. The report of this committee is on page 36.

The Synod heard Rev. Milton Vogel on the subject of program plans of the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education.

The Committee on Last Year's Minutes recommended that the minutes of 1945, as printed, be adopted. Carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented and adopted, together with the attached report of the audit committee. The report is on page 38.

The Statistician's report was presented and adopted. The report on page 42.

The Report of the Historian was presented and adopted. The report is on page 43.

The report of the Editor was presented and adopted. The report is on page 43.

The Examining Committee reported that it had nothing to bring before Synod.

The report of the Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence was presented and adopted. The report is on page 44.

The report of the Necrologist was presented and adopted. The report is on page 45.

The report of the committee on Lutheran World Action was presented and adopted, together with its three recommendations. The report is on page 46.

It was moved and carried that the usual honorarium of $75.00 for the Treasurer of Synod be given Miss Catharine Ellenberger with the thanks of Synod.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Committee shall consider the provision of a safe place for the archives of Synod.

It was moved and carried that the Editor be authorized to select an associate and that all other matters pertaining to the Kansas Synod Lutheran shall be referred to the Executive Committee, with power to act.

Elections held during the second session resulted as follows:

For Secretary: Rev. George L. Search
For Historian: Rev. Eugene R. Harrison

For Treasurer: Miss Catharine Ellenberger
For Statistician: Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr.
For Editor: Rev. Robert E. Gaston
The Second Session was closed by the Convention Chaplain.

The Third Session—April 30, 1946

Devotions for the third session were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

The Report of the Committee on Constitution was presented. The report is on page 48.

Recommendation 1 was adopted, and the proposed amendment was taken from the table. The proposed amendment to Article V., Section 4, Paragraph 2 was adopted.

Recommendation 2b was adopted.

Recommendation 3b was adopted.

Recommendation 4 was adopted.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

The report on Home Missions was presented and adopted, together with its recommendation. The report is on page 51.

The Report on Rural Work was presented and adopted. The report is on page 54.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented and adopted. The report is on page 56.

The Reports of the three conference presidents were presented and adopted. The reports are on page 55.

The report of the committee on Social Missions was presented. The recommendations were adopted and the report was adopted. The Report is on page 67.

Rev. J. E. Liljedahl, fraternal delegate from the Kansas Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church brought the greetings of his conference to the Synod of Kansas, U. L. C. A.

It was moved and carried that a fraternal delegate be sent to the Kansas Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church, now in session at Salina, Kansas.

It was moved and carried that fraternal greetings be sent to the Nebraska Synod U. L. C. A., now in convention in South Souix City, Nebraska.

The report of Tabitha Home was presented and adopted. The report is on page 58.

A special resolution of the Executive Committee of the Board of Di-

rectors of Midland College was presented, but no action was requested until session 5. The report of Midland College, together with the special resolution is on page 60.

The report of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga was presented and adopted. The report is on page 62.

The third session was closed by the Convention Chaplain.

The Fourth Session—May 1, 1946

Devotions for the fourth session were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D. D., officially representing the Executive Board, U. L. C. A., addressed Synod, discussing plans and program of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Rev. W. P. Hieronymus, Ph. D., president of Midland College was introduced and addressed Synod.

It was moved and carried that there be a joint meeting of the three conferences sometime in October or November, that the Executive Committee formulate the program and that it shall include speakers of authority on current problems.

The report on Ministerial Pensions was presented and adopted. The report is on page 63.

The report on Midland Assembly was presented and adopted. The report is on page 68.

The reports on Church Publications and Reporter to the Lutheran were presented and adopted. The reports are on page 64.

Elections held during the fourth session resulted in the following:

Laymen to the Executive Committee: Mr. A. F. Swanson; Mr. Gerald Lee; Mr. Ferris Hill.

Tabitha Home Board: Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D. D., (replacing Rev. R. E. Rangeler, resigned) and Mr. Austin Sanborn.

Home Missions Committee: Rev. Willard W. Alexander and Mr. A. H. Goult.

Midland College Board: Rev. Reno R. Frobenius and Mr. Fred Kloepper.

Reports on conference elections were announced: Western Conference, Rev. Alfred F. Mendenhall; Southern Conference, Rev. Samuel W. Jensen; Eastern Conerence, Rev. Alvin D. Havekost.

Session four was closed by the Convention Chaplain.

The Fifth Session—May 1, 1946

Devotions for the fifth session were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

Results of the elections of U. L. C. A. delegates and alternates were announced as follows:

Delegates:

Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D. D., Ex Officio and Chairman
Rev. Lightner A. Swan
Rev. George L. Search
Rev. George W. Eller
Mr. Gerald Lee
Mr. Guy Ryan
Mr. John Vogel
Mr. A. D. Fennell

Alternates: (in order of their serving)

1. Rev. Reno R. Frobenius
2. Rev. Samuel W. Jensen
3. Rev. Robert E. Gaston
4. Rev. Eugene R. Harrison
1. Mr. Gustav Brandborg
2. Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr.
3. Mr. William Guenther
4. Mr. H. L. Wortz

The report of the committee on Ministerial Education was presented and adopted. The report is on page 64.

It was moved and carried that if Synod shall not be able to adjourn by 5:30 P. M., session six shall be held Wednesday evening instead of Thursday morning. (The original program called for a sixth session on Wednesday morning.)

The report of the committee on Absences and Excuses was presented and adopted:

"The following have asked excuse from all sessions: Rev. G. C. Schaub, Ph. D.,; Rev. E. Hill Gilmer; Rev. Andreas Bard, D. D., Litt. D.; Rev. Oak W. Ebright, D. D.; Rev. C. N. Swihart, D D.; Rev. Charles F. Weist, D. D.; Rev. Wilbur Klaver; and Rev. Joseph O. Ensrud, D. D., Th. D.

"The following have asked excuse from some sessions: Rev. Otto K. Oelke; Rev. Louis C. Weitzenkamp; Rev. Max Gilmer; and Rev. Norbert Zabel.

"We recommend these named be excused as requested."

Rev. Herbert Pett; Rev. Franklin Shirk,
(Committee on Excuses).

The report of the claims committee was presented and adopted.

It was moved and carried that secretarial expenses of this convention shall be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Committee shall investigate the possibility of speeding elections at Synodical conventions.

The report of Midland College, together with a special resolution of the Executive Committee of the Midland Board was presented. Recommendations 1, 2 and 4 of the report were adopted. Recommendation 3 was referred to the Executive Committee for restudy. The report was adopted. The report is on page 60.

It was moved and carried that the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States approves and recommends the separation of Western Seminary and Midland College.

Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz, D. D., led Synod in prayers of intercession for the welfare of Midland College and Western Seminary.

Invitations for the 1947 convention of synod were extended by Rev. Ezra E. Stauffer, D. D., from Wichita and Mr. Arthur F. Swanson from Hays. It was moved and carried that the place of the 1947 convention be referred to the Executive Committee.

The report of the committee on Luther League was presented and adopted. The report is on page 65.

The report of the committee on President's report was presented and adopted. The report follows the President's report on page 35.

It was moved and carried that a fraternal delegate be sent to the Midwest Synod U. L. C. A.

The report of the committee on Executive Committee was presented.

Recommendation 1 (of the Executive Committee) was referred to the Executive committee for restudy.

Recommendation 2 (of the Executive Committee) was rejected.

Recommendation 3 (of the Executive Committee) was referred to the Executive Committee for restudy.

Recommendation 4 (of the Executive Committee) was adopted.

Recommendation 5 (of the Executive Committee) was adopted.

Recommendation 6 (of the Executive Committee) was adopted.

It was moved and carried that the Synod also approve the establishment of a consultative relationship with the Oklahoma Council of Churches, and shall contribute a sum not to exceed $5.00 annually, the President appointing such representative or representatives as are necessary.

The report of the committee on Executive Committee report was adopted as a whole. The report follows the report of the Executive Committee on page 37.

The report of the committee on Parish Education was presented. Its five recommendations were adopted and the report was adopted. The report is on page 56.

It was moved and carried that an insurance fee of 60c be added to

the fees of the Junior Camp.

The Lutheran World Action sound film, "The Good Fight," was shown to Synod.

The report of the committee on Resolutions was presented and adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the 78th annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent states express to this congregation, choir, local convention committees, clerical helpers, the pastor loci and his wife, our deep appreciation for the gracious welcome and entertainment given to our convention.

2. That we commend the president, secretary, executive committee and all standing committees and officers for faithful efficient service rendered to the Synod during the past year.

3. That we thank the executive committee of the U. L. C. A. for sending Rev. H. B. Schaeffer, D. D., president of the Mississippi Synod, to our convention as the official representative of our Church.

4. That we express our appreciation for the messages and council of Rev. Milton Vogel, Executive Secretary of the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education, and Dr. W. P. Hieronymous, president of Midland College and Western Seminary.

5. That we express our gratitude for the presence of treasurer emeritus, Louis T. Bang, at this convention of the Synod.

6. That we give our prayers of gratitude for the safe return of our Chaplains present at this convention, and continue our prayers for those yet in the service of our country.

7. That we give our prayers of thanksgiving for the cessation of hostilities since the last convention of the Synod, and remain constant in our prayers for the realization of good-will among men.

8. That we endorse the program of the National Lutheran Council for giving aid to our stricken brethern in Europe.

9. That we commend the Brotherhood for their interest in the Church and for their work through the sponsorship of the Scout Program and for their interest in our returned service men.

Signed: R. Rangeler, Chariman
Wilfred H. Henning
G. W. Lee

The 5th session was adjourned, the chaplain leading Synod in prayer.

The Sixth Session May 1, 1946

Devotions were conducted by the Convention Chaplain.

The following recommendations were made by the Executive Committee, following a meeting between sessions 5 and 6.

1. We recommend that the honorarium of Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran be $75.00, and that it be retroactive to 1945-46 convention year. (adopted)

2. We recommend the following division of apportionment for 1946:

For United Lutheran Church	3.00 per 5.50
For Midland College	1.20 per 5.50
For Home Missions	.40 per 5.50
For Tabitha Home	.25 per 5.50
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15 per 5.50
For Ministerial Education	.05 per 5.50
For Synodical Treasury	.45 per 5.50

(adopted)

3. We recommend that recommendation 1 of the report of the Executive Committee be adopted as printed in the pre-convention reports. (adopted)

4. We recommend that recommendation 3 of the report of Midland College be amended to read $1.20 instead of $1.00. (adopted)

It was moved and carried that the minutes of sessions five and six shall be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee.

It was moved and carried that all unfinished business shall be referred to the Executive Committee, with power to act.

No further business appearing the Seventy-Eighth annual convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, U. L. C. A. was adjourned at 6:30 P. M., May 1, 1946, using the formal closing provided for in the Common Service.

Rev. George L. Search, Secretary.

REPORTS OF THE SEVENTY EIGHTH CONVENTION

of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. April 29 — May 1, 1946

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Brethern in Christ:

"Grace, mercy and peace be unto you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ."

By the grace of God, our Synod has been granted the opportunity of another year of growth and service. We are being privileged to assemble ourselves together for the 78th Annual Convention. In the Spirit of Christian Fellowship, the entire program of the Synod will be presented by officers and committee-men for review and for action to be taken. Out of the past experiences, and zeal for the future, we should labor diligently to strengthen and extend our forces to serve our Dear Lord and His Church during the new year which is at hand.

I. Reasons for Special Thanksgiving. In the year 1945, we have seen sin in the form of World War II rise to nation-destroying proportions. Thank God, that in the midst of this year, we have experienced the joy of V-E Day and V-J Day. Our sympathy goes out to the families whose Service Men and Women gave their lives in bringing open hostilities among nations to a close. As far as it has been possible, I feel sure that the pastors and congregations have helped to bear the sorrows and burdens of these bereaved relatives. In the capacity to which this was possible, they were instrumental in fulfilling the law of love as suggested by God's Word. We are grateful to almighty God that the chaplains who represented our Synod were spared their lives and are returning to render pastoral service or for further educational training.

II. The State of the Church. Our Dear Lord has blessed His Church in the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. These blessings are far more than can be enumerated in the time and space provided in this report. The parochial reports show that the Holy Spirit has called additional people into the fellowship of our congregations. There is also evidence that this same Spirit has deepened the zeal of the members to extend the cause of Christ in all directions. The Spirit of Stewardship among our members has helped them to present offerings in large enough amounts to assist Synod in reaching its highest paid percent of apportioned and unapportioned benevolences. Quite a number of the congregations made this possible by giving more than 100%. Our total benevolent giving reached 91.42% of the assigned quota. In 1945, we gave 33.99% more than in 1944. Current offerings have provided sufficient funds for Church Councils to pay monthly bills when due. Building Fund offerings have surpassed all previous amounts. Practically all congregations

have reduced their church loans or completely liquidated their building indebtedness. Large amounts have been raised to finance improvements or to erect new church buildings when building materials are available. Gifts, bequests and memorial funds have been presented to churches and institutions.

III. Supply Pastors Help Meet Emergency. The point at which the least success was obtained existed in the field of securing leaders for congregations needing regularly called pastors. In most instances, the congregations without regular pastors have made progress under the leadership of supply pastors. The Western Theological Seminary has assisted with Seminary Students. Some of our churches were served by ministers from among the ranks of those in retirement. Still other pulpit supply leaders were provided by ministers and laymen serving as professors in educational institutions.

1. Bunker Hill—Wilson-Excelsior. The Rev. Charles F. Weist, D. D., as supply pastor, has served this congregation twice a month when the weather was favorable and country roads were in condition for attending divine services. Doctor Weist, reporting for the congregation, says that "The fulltime service of a pastor is desired for the summer months and probably continuously." The congregation's benevolent offerings amounted to more than 100 per cent, and special benevolence amounted to $176.92.

2. Bunker Hill—Mount Zion. This congregation has been inactive during the past year. However, a special benevolence offering of $96.00 was given.

3. Cole Camp, Mo., United. The Rev. W. C. Miller, Supply Pastor, has served this congregation until October 1. Since then, special supply pastors have conducted preaching services for the congregation. The benevolent offerings amounted to $375.00 or within $10.00 of the total quota. The special benevolent offerings amounted to $521.43.

4. New Cambria Parish—St. Paul's and Peace Congregations. The Rev. B. R. Lantz, D. D., Supply Pastor by appointment, assisted by Mr. Eugene Smith and Mr. Leroy Rinard, have conducted services for these congregations. Under their direction, a Sunday School survey was made at Peace Luthern Church, New Cambria. The following Sunday, a school of 50 scholars was organized. Some Lutheran leaders attending and participating in St. John's Lutheran Church, Salina, Kansas, became teachers in the newly organized school. St. Paul's benevolent gifts amounted to $48.06. Peace Lutheran's benevolent offerings were $20.00.

5. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma—First Lutheran. The Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D., served as supply pastor. Sunday, September 30, following the 11:00 preaching service conducted by the President of Synod, a regularly called congregational meeting was called to order. When it was announced that the United Lutheran Committee on September 18 had ruled that church no longer was in possession of the First Lutheran Church property, the congregation voted to disband. The apportioned

benevolent offering amounted to $82.45. The special benevolent offering was $80.50.

Perth—St. James. The remaining families in this congregation participate in union services conducted by a neighboring Missouri Synod Lutheran Pastor. Under the leadership of a Lutheran Layman, an offering amounting to $77.55 was sent to the Synodical Treasurer for Benevolence.

Valley Falls—St. Paul's. Supply Pastors have provided preaching services during the past year. The Rev. Harold Hamilton, Assistant to the Synodical President, has also made parish calls and assisted in organizing a local Luther League. The benevolence amounting to $288.19 was paid. This was more than the assigned quota. The special benevolence paid amounted to $371.00.

Wellington—St. John's. The Rev. George Mendenhall, Ph. D., served this congregation as supply pastor. The benevolence was paid more than 100%—$345.88—and the special benevolence offerings amounted to $332.24. Although the congregation has been without a full-time pastor for a long time, it continues to be a very active group.

IV. Appointments. With the suggestions and approval of the Executive Committee, Standing Committees were appointed as required by the Constitution of Synod and are listed in the 1945 Minutes. These Committees assumed responsibility to put into action certain plans, programs, and projects as a designated function of the Synodical program.

In addition, the following appointments were made to assist the President in the leadership of Synod:

The Rev. George L. Search, Hays, Kansas, to advise and counsel with congregations around Hays not having pastoral leadership.

The Rev. B. R. Lantz, D. D., Salina, Kansas, to supervise, direct, and provide preaching services for St. Paul's and Peace Congregations in the New Cambria Parish.

The Rev. J. A. McCulloch D. D., Kansas City, Mo., to serve as supply pastor to Trinity Lutheran Church, Sedalia, Missouri, until the congregation calls their new pastor.

The Rev. W. C. Miller to serve as supply pastor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Wakeeney, Kansas. The Rev. C. C. Schaub, Ph. D., was advised for health reasons to give up his supply pastor's work at Wakeeney, October 28, 1945.

Ferris Hill and A. F. Myser to serve as auditors of the Treasurer's accounts.

V. Calls. The Rev. Samuel W. Jensen, formerly of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sedalia, Mo., received a call to become the pastor, May 1, 1945, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

The Rev. Lightner A. Swan, a returned Chaplain and a member of the Iowa Synod, received a call, February 3, 1946, to become the pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sedalia, Mo.

VI. Transfers. Given the Rev. A. L. Grosclose a Letter of Transfer, May 4, 1945, to the California Synod.

Received the Rev. Lightner A. Swan, March 3, 1946, from the Iowa Synod.

VII. Installations. The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, April 8, 1945, as pastor of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo., by the Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D. D., Kansas City, Mo.

The Rev. Wilfred H. Henning, April, 1945, as pastor of St. Mark's—First Churches, Waterville, Kansas, by the Rev. O. K. Oehlke, Pastor at Glasco, Kansas.

The Rev. Franklin Shirck, April, 1945, as pastor of Trinity—St. Paul's Churches, Greenleaf, Kansas, by the Rev. George Eller, President of the Western Conference and Pastor at Beloit, Kansas.

The Rev. Samuel W. Jensen, May 23, 1945, as pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, by the Rev. George R. Whittecar Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The Rev. Arthur Freeburg, October 8, 1945, as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Bendena, Kansas, by the Rev. H. Vance Baird, President of the Eastern Conference and Pastor at Atchison, Kansas. The charge to the pastor was given by the Rev. Herbert Pett, Pastor at Lancaster, Kansas. The charge to the congregation was given by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Pastor at St. Joseph, Mo.

The Rev. Lightner A. Swan, March 3, 1946, as Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sedalia, Mo., by the Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D. D., Kansas City, Mo.

VIII. Assistant to the President. Student Harold Hamilton was recomended to the President as a candidate to be considered to fill the office of assistant to the President for one year beginning September 15, 1945. On September 14, he finished his work as a Junior at the Western Theological Seminary. The same day, he was examined and licensed by the Nebraska Synod and transfered to the Kansas Synod. At the end of a year's service, the understanding with the faculty is that he is to return to complete his seminary course as a Senior.

Since the congregation that the President serves participated in extending a call to the Rev. Harold Hamilton, they have had a deep interest in his leadership. On the Sundays that the President arranged to be away from his church to visit congregations in the interests and welfare of promoting work of Synod, the church work at Trinity, Lawrence, has gone forward without interruption. The President has sent his assistant to the following churches: United Lutheran, Cole Camp, Mo., Sunday, January 13, Pulpit Supply; Home Missions Survey, North Kan-

sas City, Mo., January 15, 16, and 17, Survey Worker; United Lutheran, Cole Camp, Mo., Monday, January 21, Conducted Funeral Service for John F. Kreisler; United Lutheran, Cole Camp, Mo., Sunday, February 17, Pulpit Supply; St. Paul's, Valley Falls, Kansas, Sunday, February 24, Pulpit Supply; Sunday School Enlistment Conference, Kansas City, Mo., Monday, February 25, Enlistment Leader; United Lutheran, Cole Camp, Mo., Sunday, March 3, Pulpit Supply; St. Paul's Valley Falls, Kansas, Sunday, March 10, Pulpit Supply.

IX. Congregations Securing Women Workers. Sister Eleanor Blumberg, from Lutheran Deaconess Training School, Baltimore, Maryland, to First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Miss Janice Houk, from Bethany Lutheran College, Lindsborg, Kansas, to First Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo.

Miss Louise Easterday, from Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska, to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Wichita, Kansas.

X. Mortgage Burning Services. St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Emporia, Kansas, the Rev. W. W. Alexander, Pastor, June 24, 1945. Address by the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D. D.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Wakeeney, Kansas, the Rev. G. C. Schaub, Ph. D., Supply Pastor, October 28, 1945. The occasion also served as a special service for Doctor Schaub at the close of his seven years of ministry there.

First Lutheran Church, Topeka, Kansas, the Rev. Ralph E. Rangeler, Pastor, December 2, 1946.

XI. Anniversaries. 75th, Trinity Lutheran Church, Abilene, Kansas, the Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, D. D., Pastor, Sunday, October 21, 1945. Address by the Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D.

75th, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Waterville, Kansas, the Rev. Wilfred H. Henning, Pastor, January 20, 1946. Addresses by the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D. D., and the Rev. Franklin Shirck.

50th, Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska, October 31, 1945. Address by the Rev. Gould Wickey, D. D.

XII. Returned Chaplains. The Rev. Norbert C. Zabel attending Hays State Teachers' College, Hays, Kansas.

The Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing attending Chicago Lutheran Seminary, Maywood, Illinois.

The Rev. Max Gilmer attending Chicago Lutheran Seminary, Maywood, Illinois.

XIII. Parishes Visited. Zion, Hutchinson, June 13, 1945, Congregational Meeting.

St. Mark's, Emporia, June 24, 1945, Address, Mortgage Burning Service.

Christ, Eureka, and Sunday Evening Union Service, July 15, 1945, Sermon.

St. Paul's, Valley Falls, August 12, 1945, Sermon and Council Meeting; January 6, 1946, Sermon; January 27, 1946, Funeral Service for Casper Stein.

St. Paul's and Peace Congregations, New Cambria Parish, August 26, 1945, Sermon at St. Paul's, Council Meeting with both Councils, Congregational Meeting.

First, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Septmeber 30, 1945, Sermon, Congregational Meeting.

United, Cole Camp, Mo., November 11, 1945, Sermon, Council Meeting Congregational Meeting.

St. John's Wellington, December 2, 1945, Sermon, Congregational Meeting, Council Meeting.

St. James, Perth, December 2, 1945, Visited Members.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, January 3, 1946, Council Meeting.

St. Mark's, Waterville January 20, 1946, Sermon, 75th Anniversary.
Bethlehem, Wakeeney, February 3, 1946, Sermon, Council Meeting, and Building Committee.

XIV. Conference, Board, and Committee Meetings. Executive Committee, Topeka, April 23, 1945, September 11, 1945 and February 5, 1945.

Home Mission Committee, Topeka, April 23, 1945; Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, June 20, 1945; and Kansas City, Mo., February 4, 1946.

Midland College Board, May 23, 1945, Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska; November 21-24, 1945.

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, Junction City, Kansas, April 28, May 12, May 19, June 16, and August 23, 1945; January 20, 1946, January 29, and February 27, 1946.

Youth Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Juniors, June 17-22, 1945; Luther League, July 22-27, 1945; Luther League Executive Committee, Kansas City, Mo., March 4, 1946.

Conference U. L. C. A. Committee, Midwest Committee, and Kansas synod Committee, September 18, 1945.

Sunday School Enlistment, Kansas City, Mo., January 29, 1946 and February 27, 1946.

Lutheran Regional Seminar, Kansas City, Mo., February 7, 1946.

XV. FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA—SPECIAL REPORT. On May 29, the Oklahoma City Lutheran Church, Mr. E. W. H. Falter, Chairman of the Church Council, was giv-

en the opinion of the Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma. This opinion supports the belief that the property belongs to the church group of whom the Rev. Fred Bloch is the pastor.

The following Sunday, the congregation recognized by the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, the Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D., Supply Pastor, held a congregational meeting and decided that inasmuch as Dr. Swihart was leaving for California that they would discontinue services until word was received from the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States and the United Lutheran Church in America regarding their action following the announcement of the opinion of the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

On June 14, copies were made of the opinion and mailed together with a letter addressed to Doctors Franklin Clark Fry, President of the United Lutheran Church in America; W. H. Greever, Secretary; P. W. H. Fredericks, Chairman of the Commission on Adjudication; H. H. Bagger, Chairman of the Committee on Constituent Synods; P. H. Krauss and O. F. Blackwelder, members of the committee.

In response to the above communication, word was received from Dr. Bagger: "We do not desire to delay unduly. Nevertheless, it is the judgment of the Committee on Constituent Synods that, since a meeting of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America is scheduled for July 12th, it will be well for us to meet as a committee at that time, and if necessary counsel with the entire Board, before undertaking to effect the meeting with the synodical committees."

Dr. Franklin C. Fry the following letter: "In any case, I can assure you that the entire distressing situation will be reviewed fully by the executive Board itself on July 12th, which is the date of its next meeting. Our hopes and our prayers are for a speedy and complete reconciliation."

Word was received on Friday, August 24, from Dr. Henry H. Bagger, Chairman of the U. L. C. A. Committee on Constituent Synods, stating that a meeting will be held in Oklahoma City September 18. Dr. Paul H. Krauss, another member of the committee, will accompany Dr. Bagger. Committees from the Synod of the Midwest and the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States were summoned by Dr. Bagger to meet in Oklahoma City to consider and adjust the strained relationship between two Synods.

A meeting to discuss and settle the Oklahoma City controversy was held in Oklahoma City September 18. This meeting was called by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America in response to a request for such a meeting made by the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States assembled in convention in 1944. The Rev. H. H. Bagger and the Rev. Paul Krauss, members of the Committee on Constituent Synods of the U. L. C. A., represented the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. Kansas Synod was represented by the president, the secretary, the Rev. George L. Search, the Rev. George R. Whittecar, and Mr. Gerald Lee. The Synod in the Midwest was represented by the president, the

Rev. Herman Goede; the Secretary, the Rev. H. F. Welchert; the Rev. Edward J. Amend, Mr. Kermut Wagner, and Mr. Karl E. Friedeman.

The decision given by the representatives of the U. L. C. A. at the final meeting is as follows:

After a full study of all the documents that bear on the issues before us, and an extended discussion with the representatives of the two synods empowered to act for them, and recognizing the regrettable failure of the church at large to have served the situation adequately, we have reached the following decisions. We believe them to be fair in fact, as well as in statement.

I. (1). The Executive Committee of the Synod of Kansas erred on February 26, 1942, in denying the formal request of the First English Lutheran Church of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, for a letter of transfer from the Synod of Kansas to the Synod in the Midwest, to which it was properly entitled.

(2). Since all controversy within the church should always be referred to competent ecclesiastical authorities, the resort of the Kansas Synod to the Civil Courts in the first place constituted an error in the proceedure.

II. (1). The Executive Committee of the Synod in the Midwest erred in determining (on March 1, 1942) to receive into membership without its being able to present a certificate of transfer from the Synod of Kansas. (They should rather have had recourse to the U.L.C.A. to learn how the will of the congregation might be served and this matter of inter-synodical comity be adjusted.)

(2). The Synod in the Midwest erred (on May 7, 1942), in receiving as a member the Rev. Fred H. Bloch, who was properly under discipline by the Synod of Kansas at that time.

In summary, even though we deplore the Synod in the Midwest, we find:

(a). that the Oklahoma City Church is both by right even though irregularly received, and as a matter of fact, a member of the Synod in the Midwest in good standing and must be received.

(b). that Pastor F. H. Bloch, even though he was not received by the Synod in the Midwest according to true inter-synodical comity, is in fact a member of the Synod in the Midwest in good standing and must be so recognized. By the acceptance of these decisions the Kansas Synod terminates its disciplinary action against Pastor Bloch.

To try to correct the errors of the past, or reverse the accomplished facts will only prolong the issues and doubtless work new injustices, in addition to bringing the whole body of Christ into disrepute. The only

course now is that of mutual confession of error and mutual forgiveness, together with a joint and utterly sincere resolution on the part of all members, congregational and clerical alike, of both synods that each and every intersynodical issue that the future may bring shall be met in strict accord with the established polity of the U. L. C. A. and under the ultimate and controlling principle that one is our Master and we are all brethren. Only thus may the blessings of the Lord be sought and found, and to this course the subscribers of this statement, and all whom they represent, yield themselves unreservedly with our sacred pledge of mutual forgiveness, complete future confidnce and cooperation.

Signed Henry H. Bagger
Paul H. Krauss
for the Executive Board, U. L. C. A.

We accept the decisions of the representatives of the Executive Board of U. L. C. A. and pledge ourselves to abide by them for our respective Synods:

Signed Alfred J. Beil, President
George L. Search, Secretary
George R. Whittecar
George Lee
for the Synod of Kansas
Signed Herman Goode, President
Hugo H. F. Welchert, Secy.
Edward J. Amend
Kermit Wagner
Karl E. Friedemann
for the Synod in the Midwest

After the meeting with the two Synodical Committees on September 18, Dr. Bagger arranged a meeting with the Church Council of the recognized synodical congregation. At that conference, the U. L. C. A. representative tried to discover and evaluate the church interest and consecration of those in the congregation without a church building. The meeting ended by Dr. Bagger promising to do his best to get the Board of American Missions to assist the Church Council and the congregation to organize as a mission.

At the meeting of the Church Council which followed, Mr. E. W. H. Falter, Chairman, presided. It was decided by the members to ask the President of Synod to return to Oklahoma City on September 30 to conduct a Sunday church service, including the administration of the Holy Communion, and to remain after the service to preside over a regularly called congregational meeting. Action was also taken requesting the president to correspond with the Board of American Missions to inquire from that Board if any financial assistance would be available to help the congregation organize as a mission. When the answer arrived from the Board under date of September 27, it was in the form of a quotation from a letter addressed to the Rev. Reno Frobenius, Home Missions Committee Chairman, July 30, 1945. It read as follows: "In

the light of correspondence and conference with our New York office, it would be inadvisable to make request for aid. There is no liklihood that such application would be approved." The Secretary of Missions, the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, also wrote that he was sorry he could not give more encouragement or counsel in this unfortunate and distressing situation.

On September 30, when the information from the Board of American Missions was reported to the congregations assembled in business meeting, the members discussed the matter and voted to disband. It was also voted to offer form letters of transfer to all members of the congregation so that they would be free to unite with churches of their choice. It was further decided to have the Church Council send the Hymnals, remaining offerings and permanent record books to the President for the proper handling of the same.

On November 6, a report was given concerning the Oklahoma City action to disband to the Home Mission Committee meeting in Kansas City, Mo. Since it was decided in that meeting that the Home Mission Committee of Synod wanted to offer a Second Mile measure to reorganize the Oklahoma City congregation, the Committee voted to offer $1,000 for that purpose. Instruction was given to make the offer known to Mr. Falter who in turn was to inquire from the Council and members whether that financial assistance would aid them in undertaking the task to organize as a mission.

November 20th, Chairman E. W. H. Falter responded to Synod's offer of $1,000. He stated that "As to establishing a mission church in Oklahoma City, I hardly know just what to say. Those to whom I have spoken, thus far, seem to be either 'out of the mood' or only luke warm." In the return letter to Mr. Falter, the following opinion was expressed: "Your straightforward statement of the actual situation that now exists in Oklahoma City leads me to concur with you that we haven't a very promising situation out of which a mission congregation can be organized. Psychologically and experimentally, all the counts would be against us. We hesitate to go back to the place or to the situation where we have been injured and surely you good people have been injured in your church relationships."

In conclusion, I, as the President of Synod, desire the liberty to express my appreciation to the congregation, Church Council and Mr. Falter, Chairman, for their Christian patience throughout the trying days of the pending adjustment. I, personally, feel that we should implore Almighty God to forgive us for any possible lessening of the Christian faith which we may have caused the members of the congregation while we tried to assist them in a cause which seemed to be right and needed to be championed.

As for our beloved Synod, let me admonish you to let the record stand as it has been set forth. I want to remind you, as a Synod, that when all Board of Adjudication action failed, we asked for a ruling

by a special committee of the United Lutheran Church in America. The Church has complied with our final request. What harm has been done can only be helped by the spirit of forgiveness. The present and the future will reveal whether we are equal to that test. The only proceedure which has any future value in it is to memorialize the United Lutheran Church in America. Let us set forth in our memorial a need for a voice of authority to keep troublesome situations at the very beginning under control. By that method, the problem can be kept in a condition of status quo until the Board of Adjudication, and if concerned the Committee on Constituent Synods, will have time to take action. I, personally, believe that some such action in the Oklahoma City situation would have prevented the loss of one soul to the church and it would have relieved the strained relations between Synods.

XVI. Auxiliary Organizations. When the Holy Spirit enters the lives of Believers and the Church, it arouses the sense of responsibility for doing Kingdom work. The Synod appreciates that this sense of responsibility expresses itself in the form of three auxiliary organizations: The Women's Missionary Society, The Brotherhood, and The Luther League. The total influence and working force of our Synod has been greatly helped by the assistance of these groups.

XVII. Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Progress. The additional effort and enthusiasm which the pastors are putting into their youth programs is bringing results for the two camp periods at Wa-Shun-Ga. The Junior Camp attracted 185 campers and the Luther League Camp had 189 campers. The committees in charge are anxious to help train better youth leaders for the congregations. If all Synodical leaders continue to work together, the camp will continue to serve as a worthwhile means to provide a place for these leadership training courses.

The largest number of campers in the history of Wa-Shun-Ga attended in 1945 with 21 groups totaling 2,636 campers. The net savings in accommodating that large number amounted to $5,000. The Wa-Shun-Ga Committee with the approval of the Executive Committee is entering upon a permanent improvement program. A new combined fellowship lodge and dining room costing around $7,000 to $10,000 is to be erected this spring and summer. The Synodical project of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga after many years of disappointments is proving to be a very worthwhile youth program.

XVIII. Home Mission Advancement. This committee in overcoming the threat of a Diminishing Synod has sponsored two surveys, one in North Kansas City, Mo., and the other in Miami, Oklahoma. The first one has received the approval of the Board of American Missions and soon will be assigned a missionary. The other progressive step is the assignment of an area near Mission, Kansas. If this committee is given Synodical support in volunteer workers for surveys, our Synod will be going forward in a new mission extension program.

XIX. Promising Fields of Endeavor. In the forward movement of Christianity that lies ahead of the church of Synod, pastors and congregations will have to give themselves whole-heartedly and with consecrated enthusiasms to the reaching of the following goals:

1. Stewardship. An increased devotion to the Spirit of Stewardship will help us meet the 1946 Benevolent quota 100%. The 1945 record of Benevolent giving is a definite encouragement for this purpose.

2. Midland College. Suscribing the remaining Midland College quota must continue to hold priority claim on all our congregations. The city of Fremont and friends of Midland in general are generous in the amount of their gifts toward meeting the final goal of $225,000. If we want this sustained interest and support, the congregations of our Synod and all other participating Synods will have to raise the amounts assigned to us. On December 31, the remaining amount to be raised by the Kansas Synod was reported as $29,466. Only one-third or $10,256 had been raised at that time.

3. Lutheran World Action. As in no other time in the world's history, humanity is crying out in anguish and despair to God, "Lord, have mercy on us." Our self-sacrificing willingness to give and help meet the needs of the world is, I believe, closely related to the word-picture of Judgment as set forth in the Bible. There are two alternatives as far as we are concerned. It will be either for "As much as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me" or it will be the reverse.

4. Sunday School Enlistment. This program, when introduced, can work a numerical growth miracle for all Church Schools of Synod. During February, a test try-out of the Enlistment Program was put into effect by three congregations in the Eastern Conference. If the plan is approved, all the remaining congregations of Synod will be given a chance to use this very worthwhile program offered by the Parish and Church School Board.

5. Executive Secretary Plan. The prospect of a Diminishing Synod can be stopped and overcome. The Synod has the leadership, material means, and vision to lead out with a new forward movement to advance the cause of Christ. The Executive Secretary proposal should be given more than passing consideration. The best Synodical leadership program should be given our support. Adequate leadership will help solve all other synodical problems.

6. Churches Needing Full-Time Pastors. Whatever is necessary must be done to re-introduce our full time growth and service program in every parish. No congregation in our Synod dare remain dormant much longer. Congregations without regular pastors and Synod should be willing to meet the emergency at once. If the right leader can be found, Synod should make available special funds for a short time and added funds for a resonable length of time until all hinderances and limitations have been removed.

7. Christian Growth. The cause of Christ makes progress as our pastors and congregations experience Christian Growth. Wherever there is Christian zeal, the church grows, preaching is not in vain, fellowship among church members is enjoyed, the amount of offerings increases, and the people have a will to work.

XX. The Church's Opportunity. Your President is impressed by the fact that God has abundently blessed the efforts of congregations and pastors throughout our Synod. The church's opportunity has never been greater in the realm of witnessing for Christ and His Cause. The sin-troubled world seems to be appearing on the horizon of life with threatening and devastating possibilities. I urge all of you to be fully aware of the hazardous time in which we live. However, I would not have you be faint-hearted, but courageously and resolutely face the worst Satan can do. I believe that God can and will intervene if necessary to maintain and extend His Kingdom. My prayer is that we shall all be strengthened and blessed as we review the business of Christ's Kingdom assumed by congregations of our Synod. The points wherein our faith and service appear to be weak should be strengthened. If we are courageous, we will adopt better plans and methods of extending His Kingdom. Since it is Kingdom work, we can be sure that He will help us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alfred J. Beil.

Report of the Committee on President's Report

"The committee has studied the Report of the President and commends it to the careful study of all members of the Synod. The President is to be commended with appreciation for his careful and diligent attention to matters pertaining to his office and the affairs of Synod, its congregations, and its ministers.

"The report of the action in the Oklahoma City matter is of special importance. For the sake of completeness, the introduction and conclusion of the decision of the Executive Board's representatives should be included, and we recommend as follows:

A. That the following be inserted before paragraph I (1) on page 11:

"After a full study of all the documents that bear on the issues before us, and an extended discussion with the representatives of the two synods empowered to act for them, and recognizing the regrettable failure of the Church-at-large to have served the situation adequately, we have reached the following decisions. We believe them to be fair in fact, as well as in statement."

B. That the following beinserted after paragraph II, (2) (b):

"To try to correct the errors of the past, or reverse the accomplished facts will only prolong the issues and doubtless work new injustices, in addition to bringing the whole body of Christ into disrepute. The only course now is that of mutual confession of error and mutual forgiveness, together with a joint and utterly sincere resolution on the part of all members, congregational and clerical alike, of both synods that each and every intersynodical issue that the future may bring shall be met in strict accord with the established polity of the U .L. C. A. and under the ultimate and controlling principle that one is our Master and we are all brethren. Only thus may the blessings of the Lord be sought and found, and to this course, the subscribers of this statement, and all whom they represent, yield themselves unreservedly with our sacred pledge of mutual forgiveness, complete future confidence and cooperation.

Signed:

Henry H. Bagger
Paul H. Krauss
for the Executive Board, U. L. C. A.

"We accept the decisions of the representatives of the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. and pledge ourselves to abide by them, for our respective synods:

Signed:

Alferd J. Beil, President
George L. Search, Secretary
George R. Whittecar
Gerald W. Lee

For the Kansas Synod
Signed:
Herman Goede, President
Hugo H. F. Welchert, Secretary
Edward J. Amend
Kermit Wagner
Karl E. Friedemann
For the Synod in the Midwest

It is to be noted that this decision was received and made the official action of the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A.; also that we are bound by previous committments to abide by this decision.

We regret that the outcome of this matter brought about the disbandment of the Kansas Synod congregation in Oklahoma City and the necessity of dropping the name of that congregation from the roll of Synod.

The President's analysis of "Promising Fields of Endeavor" and his statement of "The Church's Opportunity" should have the special attention of all members of the Synod.

Respectfully,
George W. Whittecar
A. F. Swanson
George W. Eller
K. de Freese
Willard W. Alexander
Charles Harkness
B. R .Lantz

The report was adopted.

Report of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met three times since the 1945 convention of Synod; on April 23, 1945, on September 11, 1945 and on February 5, 1946. It conducted its assigned tasks, receiving and acting upon reports by Synod committees; allowing bills; arranging for the printing of 1945 convention minutes and the Kansas Synod Lutheran; arranging for the place and program of the 1946 convention of Synod; and such other matters as came properly before it.

The committee, by authority of the 1945 convention of Synod, authorized the calling of Harold Hamilton to be assistant to the President of Synod, and at its September meeting authorized his licensure to the Gospel Ministry until this meeting of Synod.

The committee carefully studied the problems involved in the calling of a full-time worker for Synod, and makes a recommendation to Synod as a result of its deliberations. Adjustment of the division of apportioned receipts has been recommended to allow for the expenses involved, and this adjustment should be considered by Synod in the light of our recommendation as to the calling of an Executive Secretary.

The president was instructed at the February meeting to conclude arrangements for Synod's uniting with the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education on an advisory basis.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The apportionment for 1947 shall be $5.50 per communicant member, based on the 1946 statistical reports. (adopted)

2. The Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States shall, through its Executive Committee, call an Executive Secretary. They shall pay him a salary of $2,400.00 per year, plus rent allowance to $600.00, plus travel expense to $1,000.00. The Executive Secretary shall work under direction of the Executive Committee and the President of Synod. (lost)

3. 1946 apportionment receipts shall be divided as follows:
(as amended by action of Synod)

For United Lutheran Church	$3.00	per	$5.50
For Midland College	1.20	per	5.50
For Home Missions	.40	per	5.50
For Tabitha Home	.25	per	5.50
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15	per	5.50
For Ministerial Education	.05	per	5.50
For Synodical Treasury	.45	per	5.50

4. A standing committee on Protocol shall be appointed annually by the President. (adopted)

5. A grant of $75.00 shall be allowed the Luther League to assist its 1946 camp program. (adopted)

6. Synod shall establish a consultative relationship with the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education, that we contribute $15.00 towards its support, that local congregations be encouraged to share in the work of the council both financially and otherwise, and that the President of Synod appoint the necessary representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. Search.

Report of the Committee on Executive Committee's Report

"We have examined the report of the executive committee and commend them for their faithful service during the past year.

"We recommend to synod for its approval the report of the executive committee as a whole including the recommendations."

Rev. Robert E. Gaston,
Chairman

Report of the Treasurer

January 26, 1945 to January 28, 1946

Receipts

Apportionment	$33,597.52	
Lutheran World Action	8,969.19	
Forward Midland Fund	9,836.89	
Tabitha Building Fund	953.40	
Tabitha General Fund	1,667.34	
Youth Camp (Junior)	162.00	
Foreign Missions	865.49	
Children of the Church	128.84	
Home of the Good Shepherd	10.00	
American Missions	30.00	
Women's Missionary Society	50.00	
Parish Education Committee	8.01	
Convention Offerings	20.60	
Total Bank Deposits, Jan. 1945 to Jan. 1946		$56,281.28
On hand, Jan. 26, 1945		3,461.03
Total to be accounted		$59,742.31

Disbursements of Apportioned Receipts

United Lutheran Church	$18,202.00	
Total distribution of apportionment		$31,198.23

Disbursement of Specials

Tabitha Home	$2,572.45	
Midland College	9,836.89	
Youth Camp (Junior)	25.48	
Children of the Church	128.84	
Midland College	6,433.00	
Tabitha Home	1,516.00	
Synodical Home Missions	1,541.31	
Synodical Ministerial Education	580.00	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	689.69	
Synodical Treasury	2,236.23	
Foreign Missions	865.49	
Lutheran World Action	8,856.54	
American Missions	30.00	
Home of the Good Shepherd	101.30	
Total disbursement of specials		$22,325.69
BALANCE IN ALL ACCOUNTS, JANUARY 28, 1946		$6,218.39

Account Balances Itemized

Synodical Treasury	$1,417.35
Home Missions	2,504.19
Ministerial Education	991.44
Kansas Synod Lutheran	647.77
Youth Camp (Junior)	190.15
Parish Education Committee	59.08
Undistributed apportionment	408.41
Total of itemized balances	$6,218.39

Saving Accounts

Home Missions	$1,644.17
Ministerial Education	1,015.00

Apportionment Receipts Itemized

Abilene	$ 1,287.00	$ 900.00	$ 478.50	$ 1,378.50
Atchison	1,892.00	1,507.18	1,340.42	2,847.63
Beloit	544.50	316.75	281.00	597.75
Bendena	555.50	455.22	415.47	870.69
Bunker Hill			96.00	96.00
Chapman	456.50	457.00	481.43	938.43
Cole Camp	385.00	375.00	521.43	896.43
Emporia	726.00	726.00	177.48	903.48
Eureka	748.00	221.55	382.00	603.55
Fort Smith	385.00	385.60	124.50	510.10
Glasco	550.00	567.93	224.26	792.19
Greenleaf, St. Paul	280.50	280.50	384.11	664.61
Greenleaf, Trinity	308.00	196.12	189.12	385.24
Hays	682.00	682.00	394.50	1,076.50
Hutchinson	880.00	1,190.36	275.37	1,465.73
Kansas City, C. M.	1,138.50	1,138.50	944.00	2,082.50
Kansas City, St. M.	1,655.50	2,045.79	1,541.55	3,587.34
Kansas City, T.	1,331.00	1,333.27	345.88	1,679.15
Lancaster	737.00	409.75	164.20	573.95
Langdon	506.00	564.92	403.22	969.14
Lawrence	2,524.50	2,524.50	1,603.41	4,127.91
New Cambria, St. P.	154.00	48.06		48.06
New Cambria, Peace	231.00	20.00		20.00
Norcatur	82.50	82.50	44.16	126.66
Oklahoma City	330.00	82.45	80.50	162.95
Peabody	649.00	650.00	664.20	1,314.20
Perth		77.55		77.55
Rockport	1,061.50	1,061.50	217.20	1,278.70
Salina	3,938.00	3,938.00	2,631.04	6,569.04
Sedalia	451.00	451.00	188.92	639.92
St. Joseph	2,799.50	2,799.50	982.00	3,781.50
Topeka	1,089.00	572.61	341.60	914.21
Tulsa	1,611.50	1,611.00	1,609.09	3,220.09

Valley Falls	209.00	228.19	371.00	599.19
Wakeeney	623.50	500.00	104.00	604.00
Waterville, First	165.00	139.20	176.50	315.70
Waterville, St. Mark	731.50	485.00	500.30	985.30
Wellington	341.00	345.88	332.24	678.12
Wichita	3,003.00	3,863.89	3,435.60	7,299.49
Wilson	330.00	344.25	176.92	521.17
Totals	$35,372.50	$33,579.52	$22,623.15	$56,202.67

ACCOUNTS SPECIALIZED

Special Receipts Itemized

CHURCH	Lutheran World Action	Forward Midland Campaign	Tabitha Building Fund	Tabitha General Fund	Youth Camp	Foreign Missions	Children of the Church	Home of the Good Shepherd	American Missions	Totals
Abilene	22500	10000		15000	350					47850
Atchison	46895	78384		8766						134045
Beloit	14050	7700		4000	750	1600				28100
Bendena	13012	27935			600					41547
Bunkerhill	9600									9600
Chapman	12100	31250				1382	3411			48143
Cole Camp	14805	31400		5488	450					52143
Emporia	14485			1828	750		685			17748
Eureka	20700	10000		7500						38200
Fort Smith	10050			2400						12450
Glasco	16275	200		5951						22426
Greenleaf, St. Paul	6592	15900		4709	500	10710				38411
Greenleaf, Trinity	8360	7252		2850	450					18912
Hays	15000	24050			400					39450
Hutchinson	22337			4300	900					27537
Kansas City, St. Mark's	48800	82455			1400	11500				154155
Kansas City, Trinity	21900	3545		5000			4143			34588
Kansas City, Chi. Mem.	23000	60000		10000	1400					44400
Lancaster	14610			1310			500			16420
Langdon	14483	6670	13340	5829						40322
Lawrence	49801	94000		15340	1200					160341
Norcatur	3000			1416						4416
Oklahoma City	8050									8050
Peabody	5375	59000					2045			66420
Rockport	16720			5000						21720
St. Joseph	81000	10000		5000	1200			1000		98200
Salina	59969	159150	1000	31244	1200	5441	2100		3000	263104
Sedalia	15792			2500	600					18892
Topeka	30740					3420				34160
Tulsa	91253	53700	1000	10000	600	4356				160909
Valley Falls	9200	27900								37100
Wakeeney	10000				400					10400
Waterville, First	10150	6700			800					17650
Waterville, St. Mark's	22580	26500		700	250					50030
Wellington	9735	15500		7989						33224
Wichita	94400	119620	80000		1400	48140				343560
Wilson	9600	4878		2614	600					17692
Totals	896919	983689	95340	166734	16200	86549	12884	1000	3000	2262315

Home Missions Account

Balance on hand, Jan. 26, 1945	$1,620.50	
From Apportioned receipts	2,425.00	
		$4,045.50
To Beloit	$120.00	
To Hutchinson	199.92	
To Ft. Smith	266.64	
To Wakeeney	150.00	
For Committee expense	179.75	
Trans. to Savings	625.00	
		1,541.31
Balance, January 28, 1946		$2,504.19
Savings account, January 28, 1946		$1,644.17

Synodical Treasury Disbursements

Committee meetings	$ 401.71
Oklahoma City expense	42.21
President's expense	376.37
Secretary's expense	93.42
Treasurer's expense	34.90
Examining Committee Expense	30.52
1945 Synod meeting	32.59
Printing 1945 Minutes	337.79
Eleanor Blumberg	336.72
Harold Hamilton	400.00
Honorariums	150.00
Total	$2,236.23

Auditing Committee Report

Emporia, Kansas, March 9, 1946.

To The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

We the undersigned committee appointed to audit the accounts of Catherine Ellenberger, Treasurer, have made a careful examination of the records and do hereby certify to the following:

Balance on hand, Jan. 26, 1945	$ 3,461.03
Total amount received to this date	56,281.28
Total	$59,742.31
Total disbursements shown by canceled vouchers	$31,198.23
Cash on hand, Jan. 26, 1946	6,218.39
	$59,742.31
Balance, Cash on hand and on deposit in The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, as per certification	$ 6,218.39

We have also examined the accounts of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, The Home Missions Savings Account and The Ministerial Educational Fund and find the following:

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga has a balance of $4,812.66

This amount is on deposit in The Emporia State Bank, Emporia, Kansas, as per certification.

Home Missions Savings Account $1,644.17

This amount is on deposit in The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas in Savings Account No. 4621.

Ministerial Educational Fund $1,015.00

This amount is on deposit in The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas in Savings Account No. 4739.

Total Cash on hand Jan. 26, 1946 ..... $13,690.22

Respectfully Submitted,

Ferris M. Hill,
A. F. Myser,
Auditing Committee.

Report of the Statistician

The significant feature of the parochial report for 1945 is the reversal of a decreasing trend that had been going on for several years in some categories. For the first time in several years increases were shown in the number of Sunday School staff members, of those attending Sunday School and of those belonging to Young People's organizations. Good increases in the membership of Men's and Women's organizations were also recorded.

Only small increases over the previous year in the number of baptized and confirmed members were shown but there was a comparatively large increase in the number of communicant members. This latter in-

crease almost restored the communing membership to its high point in synodical history, that reached in 1941.

Although a slight decrease occurred in the total valuation of church property, two gains under this classification portend well for the future. A large gain in the endowment funds indicates strengthened financial set-ups for several congregations and an increase in the amount of property owned indicates the money is already on hand to pay for contemplated improvements. Another good-sized amount was taken off the indebtedness figure.

Congregations spent much more to meet their current expenses and a little less to meet unusual expenses, this latter probably because it was impossible to make improvements. A really large gain, amounting to 36%, was registered over the previous year in contributions to benevolence. The per capita payment on the apportionment was $5.22. This was 95% of the amount apportioned. Twenty-three congregations met the apportionment in full or paid in excess. The per capita contribution, based on communicant membership, to all causes amounted to $34.49, the highest on record.

One decreasing trend that was not changed was in the number of pupils enrolled in the Children of the Church. This figure reached its lowest point since the start of this activity.

Your statistician has no previous experience with which to compare this year's reporting, but it seemed to him that the reporting was much poorer than it should be. There were many mistakes that a little care or rechecking would have discovered and eliminated. One classification in which it was apparent that many mistakes were made is that of unapportioned benevolence. There was not sufficient time to make a thorough check but the figures given on the report sheets were at wide variance with the treasurer's report.

Respectfully submitted,
Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.

Historian's Report

Through the year the historian has filed the issues of the Kansas Synod Lutheran and such notices from parishes that have been received.

Eugene R. Harrison.

Report of the Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran

The Kansas Synod Lutheran has been issued regularly every month, except August, and a complete file of the publication kept.

Since last spring, Mr. Evan Tonsing, of Atchison, has been unable to print the paper because of poor health. This caused considerable confusion, since it was necessary to find a new printer. Due to the labor shortage and paper shortage, that was not easy to do. The Kansas Sy-

nod Lutheran is now printed by Earl McDivitt, editor of The Severyite, Severy, Kansas. It is mailed to subscribers from Atchison. This is necessary to fulfill the requirements of our mailing contract. Of course, this causes delay in getting the paper to the subscribers. Because of this arrangement, it is impossible to deliver the paper to the subscribers until later in the month.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Gaston,

Report of Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence

There is much for which to be thankful respecting the growth of the grace of giving by the members of our congregations. But all is not rosy. There are by far too many who are unconscious of their responsibility to God for the means and talents which have been committed to them as stewards of iur Heavenly Father. Again as pastors and congregations and a synod as a whole we fall far short of what has been accomplished by and in many of our synods of the U. L. C. A. Not a few of our synods have paid their apportionment in full and in some instances far over 100%. A conference of Stewardship Secretaries and Chairmen of Synodical Stewardship Committees of the ULCA was held in Columbus, Ohio, early in October of last year under the direction of Dr. C. C. Stoughton, Stewardship Secretary of the ULCA, and at which President Franklin C. Fry and Secretary Greever were present, and 33 others. At this conference the consensus of opinion, gained by observation and experience, was that where satisfying results were obtained it was due most largely to a keen sense of responsibility to God for the right use of that which God had placed in the keeping of the followers of our Lord. Further, that this sense of responsibility was due to the inculcation of the spirit of Jesus, enlightenment as to the needs and the importance of the projects, and the faithful, consistent and unceasing efforts on the part of the pastors and members of our church council in keeping the needs of the Church before the members of the congregations.

Whatever our failures may have been there has been a growth of grace in giving on the part of our congregations as indicated by the following facts, covering a period of three years, which we do well to study.

	APPORTIONED	AMOUNT PAID	DEFICIT
For 1943	$32,740.00	$24,523.17	$8,206.83
For 1944	33,445.00	28,961.63	4,448.37
For 1945	35,372.50	33,579.52	1,792.98

	NO. CONG. IN FULL & EXCESS	NO. IN EXCESS	AMOUNT OF EXCESS
For 1943	12	6	$ 457.85
For 1944	16	12	1,058.79
For 1945	22	9	1,639.30

	AMOUNT SPECIALS	TOTAL FOR ALL OBJECTS
For 1943	$ 9,497.52	$34,020.89
For 1944	9,419.02	38,380.65
For 1945	22,623.15	56,202.67

The following congregations have paid the apportionment in full for 1945, the asterisk indicating an excess—*Chapman, Emporia, Ft. Smith, *Glasco, Greenleaf, St. Paul, Hays, *Hutchinson, *Kansas City Children's Memorial, *Kansas City St. Mark's, *Kansas City Trinity, *Langodn, Lawrence, Norcatur, *Peabody, Rockport Salina, Sedalia, St. Jossph, Tulsa, *Wellington, *Wichita.

We observe that there are a number of congregations which might have reported apportionment paid in full had they raised just a very little more. One we noted required but ten dollars. (Figures taken from the treasurer's report in the Kansas Synod Lutheran). We should like to suggest that where congregations come so very near that an endeavor be made to go over the top. Indeed "to go over the top" should be the earnest endeavor of every pastor and congregation.

The needs for faithful stewardship are upon us and call for consecration and unusual endeavors. There is the Lutheran World Action Goals for 1946-47. Ten Million Dollars are requested and every cent is needed. The call is to each pastor and congregation to do something about it. All we need to succeed is the WILL! The pastors must lead.

Then there is the Forward Midland Campaign for $225,000.00 of which sum $29,466.00 has been apportioned to our synod. Of this amount only a little over one-third has been raised. Some of our congregations are putting some portion of their quota into the budget each year until all is raised. We cannot over-emphasize the importance of each congregation keeping at it until the quota is raised in full.

Your committee recommends that we hereby, as pastors, congregations and synod, pledge our constant endeavors and hearty support to the financial programs of the ULCA, the National Lutheran Council.

E. E. Stauffer, D. D.,

Report of the Necrologist

Another synodical year has passed by without the loss of a single member of the clergy by death. Our loving Heavenly Father has been very good to us. We do deeply thank Him for his protecting care and keeping.

One of our pastors' homes has been saddened by the loss of a loved one who has been taken away. Mother Beil, beloved mother of our present president of Synod, the Rev. Alfred J. Beil.

Our Gracious Heavenly Father continues to watch tenderly over us

all. We leave all of our homes to His loving care and protection. To Him be all the honor and glory now and forever.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert H. Pett.

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

The 1945 Lutheran World Action program in the Synod was directed by the Rev. H. Vance Baird, and was carried through by pastors and congregations to a successful conclusion. With a quota of $8,526.26, we remitted $8,585.76, or 100.6 per cent of the suggested goal. However, lest we be over-exalted with our accomplishment, we should recognize that the above quota was a proportionate share of the minimum quota of $1,790,000, and that if we had come up to the greater goal asked of the church because of greater needs arising, we would have given some 40 per cent more. As it was, the U. L. C. A. as a whole gave 118.9 per cent of the minimum goal, and the National Lutheran Council churches together reached 130.1 per cent of the mimimum. By way of comparison, we were the fourth from the bottom among the U. L. C. A. synods in percentage of the minimum goals contributed.

We are all aware of the much greater need for the help that we can give through Lutheran World Action that has arisen with the close of the war, and of our $10,000,000 goal for the two-year period of 1946 and 1947. For each year, this goal is exactly double the greater goal that we had for 1945. It is practically three times the minimum goal that we met in 1945. Our suggested quota for the two years together is $46,741.27, or $23,370.63 each year.

Two observations should be made: First, Lutheran World Action is, for 1946-1947, more than a one-offering program. It will require careful, long-range planning to enlist the full cooperation of the entire membership of every congregation. Several special offerings at different seasons of the year; solicitation of pledges; special every-member visitations to all homes of the congregation to tell the story and explain the needs; month-by-month promotion and publicity by letters, bulletins, and announcements, and similiar procedures each wisely adapted to local conditions and habits of working, will be necessary.

Second, Lutheran World Action is the most vital program in which the Lutherans of America are engaged, and it deserves and demands more sacrifice and consecration than we have been used to giving.

I recommend the following:

(1) That, in view of the urgent needs and opportunities called to our attention through the National Lutheran Council, we as a Synod heartily endorse the Lutheran World Action program for 1946-1947 and commend it to all our pastors and congregations for their active support.

(2) That we accept the quota suggested for us by the National Lutheran Council, of $46,741.27 in two years, 1946-1947, and call upon

our people to give Lutheran World Action a first claim on their interest and resources, over and beyond our regular apportionments, during these two years.

(3) That we pledge ourselves to strive earnestly and consistently throughout 1946 and 1947 to reach our goal and bear our part of the burden of war-stricken humanity that has been placed upon us.

George R. Whittecar,

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION GOALS 1946-7

Confirmed Membership

Church-Wide Goal		$10,000,00
U. L. C. A. Goal	1,236,172	4,792,482
Kansas Synod	11,620	46,441.27

Rate is $4.03 per confirmed member (as of 1944)

Congregation	Confirmed Membership	Exact Quota		Suggested Larger Goal	
		Two Years	Each Year	Two Years	Each Year
Abilene	338	1462.14	731.07	1500	750
Atchison	597	2404.91	1202.45	2500	1250
Beloit	154	620.62	310.31	650	325
Bendena	272	1095.16	547.58	1100	550
Bunkerhill	126	507.78	253.89	550	275
Chapman	122	491.66	245.83	550	275
Cole Camp	104	419.12	208.56	450	225
Emporia	292	1176.76	558.38	1200	600
Eureka	280	1128.40	564.20	1150	575
Fort Smith	134	540.02	270.01	550	275
Glasco	190	765.70	382.40	800	400
Greenleaf, St. Paul's	73	294.16	147.08	300	150
Greenleaf, Trinity	92	370.76	185.38	400	200
Hays	205	826.15	413.08	900	450
Hutchinson	280	1128.40	564.20	1150	575
Kansas City, Ch. Mem.	308	1241.24	620.62	1300	650
Kansas City, St. Mark's	688	2772.64	1386.32	3000	1500
Kansas City, Trinity	300	1209.00	604.50	1250	625
Lancaster	194	781.82	390.91	800	400
Langdon	163	656.89	328.45	700	350
Lawrence	814	3280.42	1640.21	3400	1700
Long Island	29	116.87	558.44	150	75
New Cambria, Peace	106	427.18	213.59	500	250
New Cambria, St. Paul's	97	390.91	195.45	400	200
Norcatur	35	140.05	70.03	150	75
Peabody	303	1221.09	605.25	1250	625

Perth	32	128.96	64.48	150	75
Rock Port	345	1490.35	745.18	1500	750
Salina	1332	5367.96	2683.98	5500	2750
Sedalia	152	612.56	306.28	650	325
St. Joseph	828	3336.84	1668.42	3500	1750
Topeka	362	1458.86	726.43	1500	750
Tulsa	470	1890.10	945.05	2000	1000
Valley Falls	116	467.48	233.74	500	250
Wakeeney	332	934.96	467.48	1000	500
Waterville, First	58	233.76	166.87	250	125
Waterville, St. Mark's	292	1176.76	588.38	1200	600
Wellington	126	507.69	253.85	550	275
Wichita	789	3079.67	1538.83	3200	1600
Wilson	126	507.69	253.85	550	275

Report of the Committee on Constitution

Your committee respectfully calls the attention of Synod to the following items concerning the constitution of our Synod.

1. A proposed amendment to Article 5, Section 4, paragraph 2, which reads:

"It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of encouraging young men of sterling character and outstanding abilities to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel; to supervise and nurture all students for the ministry coming from within the bounds of Synod; to distribute such funds as the Synod may appropriate or as may be appropriated by the Board of Education of the United Luteran Church in America for the assistance of students for the ministry; and to supervise their work under such rules as the Synod shall approve, and to present to the Synod all such information and recommendation regarding the work of Ministerial Education as may require consideration or action."

was presented in writing, properly signed by five members of synod at the 1944 convention of Synod. The proposed amendment was read and discussed at the 1945 convention of Synod. Synod voted to refer this this amendment. The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America recommends the approval of this amendment.

2. A proposed amendment to the constitution by,

"Article 7, Section 2 be stricken from the constitution. The heading of Article 7 be amended to read, 'Ministers'."

was presented in writing, properly signed by five members of Synod, at the 1944 convention of Synod. The proposed amendment was read and discussed at the 1945 convention of Synod. Synod voted to refer this proposed amendment to the Committee on Constitution with the request that the committee prepare a simplified amendment on licensure for consideration at the 1946 convention of Synod. Your committee submits the following amendment:

"Article 7, Section 2, be amended to read:

Article 7, Section 2, Licentiates.

1. In the event that there may arise a lack of ordained ministers available to serve all the pastorates of the Synod or to perform special pastoral services that may seem necessary within the bounds of Synod, the president, in the name of Synod, may issue a temporary license to any candidate for the ministry of the Lutheran Church who receives the approval of the Examining Committee.

2. Licentiates shall have the authority to perform any and all ministerial acts during the period of time specified in their licenses, provided that such acts are performed within the bounds of Synod. They shall be enrolled as members of synod for the duration of their licensure, and shall have all privileges of clerical membership except that of holding elective office in Synod. They shall be granted the privilege of voice, but denied the right of vote on any matter pertaining to their own licensure or ordaination.

3. Licenses shall be issued for a definite period of time, and that period of time shall be no longer than the licentiate is actually serving in this Synod. Licenses may not be issued for more than one year, but they may be renewed as often as the president and the Examining Committee may deem advisable.

4. Licentiates shall be subject to the supervision of the president of Synod or any other ordained member of Synod to whom the president may delegate the responsibility of such supervision. The president may, at his own discretion, recall and annul any license at any time. The president shall recall the license of any licentiate not actually serving within the bounds of Synod.

Signed,

H. Vance Baird,
George R. Whittecar,
Eugene R. Harrison.

3. Another amendment was presented in writing at the 1944 convention of Synod, properly signed, and was read and discussed at the 1945 convention of Synod. It reads:

"Article Six, Section B, paragraph be amended to read:

'1. Any regularly ordained minister of a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, applying for membership in this Synod, must have a call to a specific field of labor, such as work in a congregation, or some general work of the church as defined in Article 7, section 1, paragraph 2 of the constitution. He shall furnish the President of Synod evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the president of Synod from which he comes. These papers, together with the recommendation

of the President of Synod, shall be placed in the hands of the Examining Committee, and upon their recommendation, he shall be enrolled as a member of Synod'."

This proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on Constitution for study and report. Your committee, having heard the recommendation of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church of America that the amendment be liberalized so as to include retired or temporarily incapacitated ministers of other Synods among those eligible for reception into our Synod, and agreeing with the Christian spirit of the recommendation, has studied our constitution carefully and has discovered that our constitution provides no place for the retired or incapacitated minister except (Article 7, Section 1, paragraph 7) to provide that any clergyman, not in actual service for a period of two years or more, shall deposit his ordination papers with the President of Synod.

4. Yet one more proposed amendment to the constitution was presented, in writing, properly signed, at the 1944 convention of Synod. It was read and discussed at the 1945 convention of Synod. It read as follows:—

"Article One, Section 3, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 be stricken from the constitution.

Article One, Section 3, be amended to read:

'This Synod shall consist of ministers and congregations in unity with the Doctrinal Basis in Section 2, received into membership as provided in Article Six'."

This proposed amendment was refered to the committee on constitution for further study. In the course of our study of this amendment, we received the recommendation from the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, suggesting that it might be wise to retain Article I, Section 3, paragraph 4, and to adopt all other changes suggested in the proposed amendment.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the proposed amendment to Article 5, Section 4, paragraph 2 be taken from the table and adopted. (carried)

2. That the Synod clearly express its will in regard to the practice of Licensure, either
   a. By conforming with the action of the United Lutheran Church (in convention) to abolish the practice of licensure altogether by the adoption of the proposed amendment to Article 7 presented in 1944; or
   b. By rejecting the amendment presented in 1944 and studying the simplified amendment presented by this year's committee at your request. (2b carried)

3. That Synod make clear its will concerning the status of the re-

tired and incapacitated ministers of other Synods, either
a. By adopting the proposed amendment to Article 6, Section B, paragraph 1 as presented in 1944; or
b. By rejecting this amendment and instructing the Committee on Constitution to draft such changes to Articles Six and Seven as will be necessary to include retired and incapacitated ministers: And if this alternate is chosen, instructing the committee to draft a new amendment to Article 6, Section B, paragraph 1, which will clarify the mode of reception of ministers from constituten Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America. (3b carried)

4. That the proposed amendment to Article One, Section 3, be adopted. (carried)

Respectfully submitted,

H. Vance Baird,
George R. Whittecar,
Eugene R. Harrison.

Report of Committee on Home Missions

The Committee on Home Missions reports excellent progress on the part of several mission congregations of synod. It is also glad to report definite progress in the establishment of two new missions in synod.

The mission congregations of synod have taken advantage of the prosperous times and have raised money to improve their church buildings, to pay off indebtedness and to take reductions in mission aid. However, due to the difficulty in securing pastors there are several mission congregations without the leadership of ministers.

Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, the Rev. E. R. Harrison, pastor.

This congregation has made excellent progress in reducing the amount of salary aid from the Board of American Missions and the Synodical Home Missions Committee. The congregation has reduced its aid faster than the schedule established by the Board of American Missions and this year volutarily cut off its aid from the Synodical Home Missions Committee. The congregation is debt free, has an excellent record of over paying benevolence apportionment, and recently made substantial improvement in its church building, in addition to having a good record in church attendance and growth in membership.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, the Rev. Alvin D. Havecast, pastor.

This congregation has concentrated on increasing church and Sunday School attendance and membership, and has made excellent progress. It has paid its benevolence apportionment in full and has several thousand dollars set aside in bonds for the refinancing of its first mortgage in 1951, but has not yet worked out arrangements for renewing its

church extension loan with the Board of American Missions. Its pastor has also given part time service to the Lutheran service center, in Kansas City, Missouri.

St. Luke's, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, the Rev. Samuel W. Jensen, pastor.

This congregation is making substantial progress under the leadership of its new pastor. Pastor and congregation are working diligently to increase church and Sunday School membership and attendance. Financialy receipts are increasing and the congregation has paid its benevolence apportionment in full. The congregation is looking forward to purchasing property for the relocation of its church building, and the Home Missions Committee has a thousand dollars set aside to aid St. Luke's when this step is taken.

Zion, Beloit, Kansas, the Rev. George Eller, pastor.

This congregation has made definite progress in reducing its salary aid from the Home Missions Committee and this year is receiving only one hundred twenty dollars. Pastor and congregation are working together in a fine spirit and are completing a program of redecorating and improving the church biulding.

Trinity, Sedalia, Missouri, the Rev. L. A. Swan, pastor.

During most of the past year this congregation was supplied on Sundays by Dr. J. A. McColloch of Kansas City, Missouri, and has carried on well and paid its apportionment in full. On February first of this year, the Rev. L. A. Swan, chaplain in the United States Army, became the pastor of the congregation. With the Reverend Swan's excellent abilities we know the congregation will make substantial progress in succeeding years.

Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas, the Rev. William Miller, supply pastor.

This congregation made fine progress the last few years under the leadership of the Rev. G. C. Schaub, supply pastor, and recently under the Reverend Miller, and was able to become a self-sustaining congregation. However, just before the Christmas holidays the congregation suffered the loss of its building by fire. Insurance received from the loss, together with funds that had been gathered and are now being raised for rebuilding, will enable the congregation to erect a new building as soon as materials and labor are available. The congregation will probably receive some help again from the Home Missions Committee. It will continue to be supplied by the Reverend Miller until a regular pastor can be secured.

Norcatur, Kansas, Vacant.

This congregation has held together remarkably well when one con-

siders the length of its being vacant. During 1945 it received only three services through the Reverend Search at Hays. One service has been conducted by him so far this year. This has made it possible to administer the sacraments, but does not allow for any other pastoral care. The congregation probably cannot be served from any of our present congregations excepting at infrequent times.

Long Island, Kansas, Vacant.

The congregation, which is a part of the Norcatur charge, has almost disappeared. An offer to purchase the properties there, made by the Assembly of God, occasioned a reorganization of the congregation by the Secretary of Synod. After considerable time the congregation's membership was correctly listed and a meeting of the congregation was called by the Secretary. At that meeting, held July 1, 1945, the congregation voted not to sell its property, but to attempt repairing and renting the property until further efforts to secure pastoral care should be made. This charge, like Norcatur, is too far from other congregations to serve them excepting at infrequent times.

The Oklahoma City congregation was offered aid from this Committee, but due to difficult circumstances cinfronting it, decided to disband. The members of this congregation are to be commended for their efforts in carrying on the work of the congregation until it became necessary for them to disband.

There are two or three other congregations of synod that may be aided by this Committee if necessary in order to help them secure full time pastors.

The Home issions Committee is endeavoring to achieve the objective set by synod last year to establish three new mission congregations in the next ten years. Two new fields—Miami, Oklahoma, and one in the Kansas City, Missouri area—were surveyed this winter by the Board of American Missions with the help of pastors and lay-workers from nearby congregations of Synod. The Miami, Oklahoma area proved to be undesirable as a possible new mission field. The results of the survey of the new field in the Kansas City, Missouri area warrant the beginning of a new mission. The Mission Board has approved the field for occupancy and expects to send a pastor soon to begin organizing the mission. While the Board of American Mission will pay the salary of the Mission pastor, the Home Missions Committee will be expected to give substantial aid to purchase lots and to errect the first unit of the building.

The Home Mission Committee is also making arrangements with the Board of American Missions to survey another area adjacent to Kansas City, Missouri, the "Mission area" of Johnson County, Kansas. It is expected that the survey will warrant the beginning of another mission in this locality.

The Committee has one thousand dollars reserved from the Ottawa

church bulding fund for the Ft. Smith congregation. An additional $625.00 in this fund is available for building purposes in some new congregation. The Board of American Missions is holding $1,169.88 in restricted funds to be used for the advancement of Kansas Synod Home Missions work.

The Committee held several meetings during the year and also incurred some expenses in connection with the surveys that were made. It hopes to continue an aggressive home mission policy to establish new congregations, to aid needy congregations of synod, and to give more attention to rural fields.

The Rev. Geo. Whittecar and the Rev. Geo. Search, Secretary of synod, have given special attention to rural work and aiding congregations in smaller communities. Our congregations at Greenleaf and Waterville, Kansas, have been selected by the National Lutheran Council as parishes for experimenting in rural work.

In the future applications for salary aid will be considered by the Board of American Missions at its November meeting in New York. This means that applications must be cleared through the Kansas Synod Home Missions Committee by October 10.

The synod committed the matter of minimum salary to the Home Missions Committee for study and recommendation. One member of the Committee has made a study and survey of this matter, and the Committee recommends that synod establish a minimum salary goal of $1,800 and parsonage.

Treasurer's Report

The 1946 Budget is as follows:

Fort Smith, Arkansas	$300.00
Beloit, Kansas	120.00
Sedalia, Missouri	400.00
Wakeeney, Kansas	300.00
Other fields	300.00
New Mission Work	480.00
Committee Expense	200.00
Total 1946 Budget	$2,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius,
Chairman.

Report on Rural Work
Supplement to Report on Committee on Home Missions

This year has been a time in which the Lutheran church has been "getting set" and finding its way with reference to special sasistance to the rural parish. The Board of American Missions, to which the U. L.

C. A. has committed responsibility in this field, has recently called the Rev. Karl Henry as divisional secretary of survey and research, with immediate special assignment in the field of rural church life, and he is at work gathering data. The Commission on American Missions in the National Lutheran Council has called the Rev. E. W. Mueller as a special assistant in the field of the rural church. He has already begun a program of research and experimentation in an effort to develop worth while aids to pastors and people in rural parishes to meet their particular needs. Upon my recommendation, and with the consent of the pastors and church councils concerned, he has taken steps to use two of our rural parishes, Waterville and Greenleaf, as experiment points in order to develop model rural church programs that can be used as examples for others to follow. A survey of each of these parishes will be made to determine the present needs of each community that can be met by the church and the available resources that might be better used. Assistance will be given to pastors and people in working out techniques and programs to meet those needs and use the resources at hand.

The conference on rural church work held by the Board of American missions a year ago showed clearly that the rural problem takes on different aspects in different sections of the country. In this region it is largely a problem of providing financial resources to maintain a regular ministry from year to year. Inadequate ministerial support in rural parishes puts such parishes at a disadvantage against town and city churches in calling and keeping ministers. A minimum salary scale, with temporary subsidies to help churches that are unable to meet the minimum standard, should help meet this problem.

George R. Whittecar.

Report of the Western Conference

The Western Conference met in St. Paul's Church, Glasco, October 21 and 22. The meeting opened with The Service the evening of the 21 with the president of conference as the litigurist and the secretary, the Rev. Alfred Mendenhall, bringing the message. The following day a short business meeting was held and papers on timely subjects were presented and discussed by the men of the conference and visiting pastors.

As president of the conference I have attended all meetings of the executive committee, installed The Rev. Franklin Shirk as pastor at Greenleaf.

Respectfully submitted,
George W. Eller

Report of the Southern Conference

The Southern Conference met in First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Nov. 1 and 2, 1945, meeting jointly with The Women's Missionary Society of The Southern Conference. The conference opened with a Rally the evening of Nov. 1, at which Chaplain Yeager, of the United

States Navy, was the guest speaker. The Rev. W. W. Alexander, of Emporia, Kansas, led the opening devotions at the morning session. Boy Scout work was presented to the men of the conference by a Boy Scout executive from the Tulsa office. At a joint meeting, held at 11 A. M. Nov. 2, men and women of the conference heard the secretary of the Tulsa Council of Churches speak on, "A Threat to Protestantism." In the afternoon a discussion period was held at which problems of the U. L. C. A. and the Kansas Synod were discussed. The conference closed with a visit to Philbrook Art Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Gaston,

Report of the Eastern Conference

The Eastern Conference met in Lawrence on October 14, 1945 in connection with the rallies of the auxiliary organizatiins of the conference. A record number of persons was present for the rallies and for the evening service at which the Rev. Calvin Naugle addressed all groups.

Throughout the year pastors and officers of the conference have labored in close harmony to carry out those duties laid upon them by Synod in promoting the Lutheran World Action and the Midland College campaigns.

At the time of the writing of this report there are two vacant parishes within the conference, Valley Falls and Cole Camp. Adequate supply arrangements for these two churches have been arranged by the President of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Vance Baird, President.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions

Your committee arranged first for a visitation of Synod by Miss Mae Rolfs, but before the itinerary could be put into effect the Board concelled her visitation of Synod. The Board offered the services of Dr. Dolbeer; this likewise did not materialize. Next missionary presented for visitation was Dr. A. J. Stirewalt. The schedule for Dr. Stirewalt's itinerary was arranged and with few changes in time of meetings and places was carried out. The committee wishes to thank all who helped to make this itinerary successful. An article on China for the Epiphany season was written for the Kansas Lutheran by the chairman. Now that all prospects point to a favorable reception and renewal of our Foreign Mission work, may the pastors and missionary societies emphasize this great opportunity to present Christ's challenge to an awakened world.

Willard W. Alexander,

Report of the Committee on Parish Education

The major portion of the work assigned to your committee was carried out through correspondence. One meeting was held in Kansas City,

Missouri at which plans for the Junior Camp were outlined and a tentative itinerary for the Rev. Arthur H. Getz of the Parish and Church School Board was arranged in the territory of our Synod. Secretary Getz will tour the area of the Kansas Synod from May 29 to June 9. The Junior Camp will be held from June 16 to 21.

The Christian Growth Series material for Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments has been coming from the press, quarter by quarter. The new lessons have met with almost universal approval in the American Lutheran Church and the Augustana Synod as well as in the United Lutheran Church. Material for the Beginner and Senior Departments is scheduled to appear for use in our Sunday Schools, beginning October, 1947.

The subscriptions to the Parish School magazine have reached an all time record of 11,000. However, seven subscribers were lost in the Kansas Synod in the past year leaving only 106 subscribers. We feel that every teacher and officer in the Sunday School should have access to this fine magazine.

Nine credit cards for Leadership Training Courses were issued to teachers in our synod in the past year. If we are to improve our parish education, every congregation in our group should have at least one training class every year.

A scholarship to Camp Nawakwa has been offered by the Parish and Church School Board. Your committee has selected the Rev. Alfred J. Beil to represent our synod at this camp.

The Children of the Church set a goal of $12,000 to be raised in support of its eight objectives in 1945. The total amount raised was $18,319.98, an excess of more than $600. The Children of the Church in the Kansas Synod raised $138.01 of the total amount.

The first Enlistment Program in the Kansas Synod was conducted in two of our Kansas City congregations and in our congregation at Lawrence, Kansas from February 24 to 28. A detailed description is given in the March issue of the Kansas Synod Lutheran. We feel that this program has great possibilities for increasing Sunday School attendance and for the general improvement of Sunday Schools.

"The Ambassadors for Christ Program" is an effort to use present Sunday School pupils in preventing absenteeism, winning back lapsed pupils, and enlisting new pupils. Its name, method, and purpose come from II Corinthians 5:20. This program may be used in every Sunday School from time to time. We have delayed publicizing this program because the badges were not available.

The Theme for Parish Education Month for 1946 is "For Faith and Life." Materials should reach the pastors about the first week in June.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we recognize the high quality and merits of the Parish

School magazine and request our pastors and superintendents to do all in their power to get a larger reading and circulation of the magazine among the teachers in our congregations.

2. That we express our appreciation of all officers and teachers in our church schools, who so faithfully administer and instruct children and adults in the Word of God and implore God's blessing upon them.

3. That we do all in our power to provide at least one Leadership Training Course in every congregation in our synod.

4. That we offer our complete cooperation in promoting the "Enlistment Program" throughout the synod.

5. That we accept the goal of 1,000,000 persons in the Sunday Schools of the United Lutheran Church by 1950 and pledge our cooperation in reaching our portion of the goal, which will be an increase in attendance of approximately twenty-five percent.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Samuel W. Jensen;
Mr. C. B. Henderson;
Mr. John Vogel;
Miss Mildred Christiansen,
Secretary of the Children of the Church;
The Rev. Alvin D. Havekost,
Chairman.

Tabitha Home Report

TABITHA HOME has come to her sixtieth year. It was in 1886 that Rev. H. Heiner established Tabitha Home at its present location in Lincoln, Nebraska. Over two thousand children and hundreds of aged have found refuge and Christian love within her walls. Supt. Ebright and the staff of helpers are giving freely of themselves to carry on this work of Inner Missions.

During the year Tabitha Home served a family of 86 aged and 50 children with 71 aged and 42 children in the home at the time of this report.

The generous contributions experienced by the Church during the year were experienced by Tabitha Home also. The financial statement will give the figures.

The building fund is still growing and to date amounts to over $175,000.00. The date for the beginning of construction cannot be given, but as soon as practical this work will begin. This New Building will house a family of 125 aged.

The H. C. Luckey farm is being developed into a dairy and meat producing farm for the institution. This well improved farm of 160 acres is only a few miles from Tabitha Home. It is the gift of Mr. and Mrs.

H. C. Luckey of Lincoln.

At the March meeting of the Board, the office of Assistant Superintendent was created. The Board also voted to enter the field of crippled childrens work as soon as the necessary committments from Medical and Educational groups are secured. Superintendent Ebright is very anxious for this phase of the work to be started, and this new field will be entered in a modest way at first. Tabitha Home is keeping abreast the developments in Child Care and Welfare in State and Nation and is in close touch with like Institutions in these developments. The horizons of this Inner Mission work are constantly expanding.

Respectfully submitted,
Reuben Levine
R. E. Rangeler

Financial Statement — The Year 1945

INCOME RECEIPTS	
Operations	$34,420.61
Investments	1,099.63
Appropriations	9,806.14
Voluntary Contributions	9,035.63
Community Chest	2,799.96
Total Income	$57,161.97
EXPENSE	
Administration	$21,184.95
Plant Operation	7,039.63
Service & Relief	8,112.26
Total Expense	$36,336.84
SOURCES OF FUNDS	
Excess of income over expenses	$20,825.13
Sale of Investments and Real Estate	7,022.50
Decrease in Deferred Charges	79.40
Total Funds secured	$27,927.03
APPLICATION OF FUNDS	
Transferred to Building Fund	$12,980.90
Transferred to Emergency and Depreciation	11,880.00
Increase in Fixed Assets	384.98
Increase in Working Capital	2,681.15
Total Funds Applied	$27,927.03
Fund Totals January 1, 1946	
Emergency and Depreciation Fund	$20,553.96
Building Fund	
Fund Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	$105,063.80
Additions to Building Fund during year	56,368.92
Fund Balance, December 31, 1945	$161,432.72

Report of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary

In the infinite goodness of God, Midland and Western Seminary have enjoyed a good year. The enrollment has increased considerably and the morale of the student body and faculty has been excellent. Greater interest has been manifested on the part of the constituent Synods, the United Lutheran Church and the Board of Education, and all of which have given increased support.

At the fall meeting of the Board of Trustees the Rev. W. P. Hieronymus, Ph. D., the then Acting President was elected eighth president of Midland College and the Western Theological Seminary to succeed Dr. Fred C. Wiegman. President Hieronymus will be inaugurated during the coming Commencement Exercises on May 22, at which time Dr. Franklin C. Fry, President of the United Lutheran Church in America, will be the principal speaker.

The 59th Academic Year of the institution opened with an increased enrollment of 38%, as compared with the previous year. The highest gain of any U.L.C.A. college. The percentage of Lutheran students is 67. A 10% increase over the previous year. Twenty-two young men are enrolled as pre-theological students and four young women are preparing themselves as full-time parish workers. There are 59 veterans and many more are expected for next September. The housing situation in Fremont is acute. This presents a great need for a dormitory for our young men. Twenty housing units have been awarded Midland by the government to help care for veterans and their families.

The total enrollment for 1940-41 was 512 and for 1945-46 is 585.

Four members of the faculty have returned after a year's study, on leave, to pursue work leading to advanced degrees. They were Dean Herman Gimmestad, Mrs. Wilma Grimmestad, Prof. Glen E. Hickman, and Associate Professor Gilbert Lueninghoener. Prof. Ralph Hankey will pursue graduate, on leave, next year. Constant endeavor is being made to enhance the academic standing of the college. The Board of Trustees gave authorization to the Executive Committee to revise the salary scale, upward for the most part. This was a long overdue recognition of the sacrificial services of the members of the faculty. Participation on a voluntary basis in the Pension Plan of the U. L. C. A. for both lay and clerical members was inaugurated, as of January 1st.

The income from all sources for the Fiscal year ending August 31st, 1945, was $150,511.64. The expenditures $153,708.02, thus leaving the net operating deficit $3,196.38. Through an amortization plan the college indebtedness is being reduced by $6,000.00 annually.

Forward Midland Campaign. Here is the score for the Synods as of Feb. 1, 1946:

	QUOTA	PAID
California	$25,000.00	$12,694.13

Kansas	29,466.00	10,960.79
Nebraska	55,228.50	21,356.82
Midwest	51,817.50	8,638.81
Pacific	11,619.00	2,943.65
Rocky Mountain	9,238.50	3,340.40
Texas	19,291.50	2,375.50
Total		$62,355.10
Alumni and Friends		$22,321.25

The citizens of Fremont demonstrated their continued loyalty to Midland by subscribing over $25,000.00 towards the Men's Memorial Hall. Our churches should not show less devotion and loyalty. The need is critical and it is now. Campaigns for funds in our congregations should be continued until our quotas are reached. Midland's faculty subscribed more than $3,300.00 out of their small salaries and 87 of the students have pledged a total of $1,525.00.

Colleges and universities are expecting peak enrollments in the near future. The GI Bill of Rights is making it possible for a large number of our veterans to enroll. Midland and the Western Seminary are entering upon a new era of unprecedented opportunity for a service in educating young men for the gospel ministery and young women for various types of Christian leadership in Church and society. To do their God-intended work well, they must have the necessary facilities, adequate buildings and equipment, and a sufficiently large guaranteed income. It is up to our church to give these.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the convention engage in a period of fervent prayer in behalf of Midland College and Western Seminary and the successful completion of the Forward Midland Campaign. (adopted)

2. That Synod unremittingly continue the campaign until its goal is reached and every congregation has completed its solicitation. (adopted)

3. That Midland and Western be placed upon the synodical apportionment of the Synod in the amount of $1.20 per communing member. (adopted)

4. That we take recognition of the recent election of Dr. W. P. Hieronymus as President of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary, and that we assure him our loyalty and support in the great work of this institution and of our church. (adopted)

TRUSTEES:

E. E. Stauffer, Evan Tonsing, Reno Frobenius, Wayne Easterday, A. J. Beil (Ex Officio).

A Special Recommendation From the Executive Committee of The Midland Board to Synods on the Territory of the College

"WHEREAS, considerable opinion in various supporting Synods exists regarding the establishment of Western Seminary as a separate and distinct school, and

"WHEREAS, the United Lutheran Church in America in 1932 thought of a distinct theological seminary for the west, and

"WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Midland College believes the problem deserves consideration and action by the supporting Synods,

"THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Midland College requests the supporting Synods at their next annual meetings to give careful consideration to the problem of establishing and maintaining Western Seminary as a separate and distinct school, and, in case of favorable action, to instruct a duly authorized committee to act accordingly, said information to be used as part of the report of the Executive Committee to the Board of Directors of Midland College.

1945 Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Report

Eighteen groups sent 2,648 campers to Wa-Shun-Ga. Guests visiting these groups were served 211 meals. The income from groups amounted to $15,309.00 and the income from the camp store amounted to $2,532.00 making a total income of $17,842.00. This total represents an income exceeding that of 1944 by $3,630.

Treasurer's Report

Balance Jan. 1, 1945	$ 2,167.18
Received from Schulz Loan	3,000.00
Received from Camp Store	2,532.47
Received from Groups, Extra Meals, etc.	15,309.48
Total	$23,009.13

Paid Out:

Equipment, $427.38; Boats, $225.00	$ 652.38
Sales Tax & Collector of Int. Rev.	590.27
Tabitha Home	200.00
Estate of Anna Schulz, Loan & Int.	3,082.83
Supplies	7,866.48
Salaries	3,505.52
Moore Sand Co.	363.57
Taylor Construction Co.	1,500.00

Incidental Expense	217.90	
Committee	217.52	
Total Paid		$18,196.47
Jan. 16, 1946, Balance on hand in Emporia State Bank		$ 4,812.66

Respectfully Submitted,

Catharine Ellenberger,
Treasurer.

You can get a true picture of the net income if you will subtract the January 1st, 1945 balance amount to $2,167.18 from the January 16, 1946 balance listed as $4,812.66. After the subtraction, you will have the amount of $2,645.48. Then add to that amount equipment, $652.88, swimming pool, $1,500.00, sanding pool, $363.57, and you will have a total of cash and permanent investments amounting to $5,161.43 from 1945 income.

The cash balance shown in the treasurer's report amounting to $4,812.66 will have to be invested in improving the present camp buildings, in weather conditioning the grounds with crushed rock, in purchasing a camp truck, and in keeping the balance to invest in a new dining room and kitchen which will also serve as a fellowship hall. The last item of improvement will become a reality as soon as building materials can be secured.

The 1946 season appears very promising. All the time on the three month camp schedule has been again requested by 18 different youth groups.

Respectfully Submitted,

WA-SHUN-GA COMMITTEE:

Rev. George Eller, Chairman; Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D.; Rev. Wilfred H. Henning, Mr. William Deschner, Miss Catherine Ellenberger, Treasurer; Rev. Alfred J. Beil, Ex Officio.

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions

As of March First, 1946, there are on the rolls of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, five retired ministers, nine widows, and five children, who receive aid from the noncontributory system.

Of the excess apportionment of the United Lutheran Church the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief has received $71,000. $46,000 of this amount has been distributed in one way and another among 418 pensioners who have absolutely no income except their pension. The remaining $25,000 is to be credited to the accumulations of the older men in the contributory plan in order to build up their accumulations and subsequently their pensions.

831 Certificates of membership have been issued in the Contributory Pension Plan and 106 Certificates of membership in the Lay Pension Plan.

Ten congregations in our Synod are enrolled in the Contributory Plan.

D. L. McConnell,

Report of the Committee on Church Publications

Our Board of Publications is still handicapped by the continuing paper shortage. Since the war is over, we hope this handicap will soon be removed.

The Publication House is doing everything to speed up its service. As soon as building conditions improve, a new printing plant will be built at 2600 N. 15th St. and a new office building at 2600 N. Broad St. in Philadelphia. Branch offices are to be established in Baltimore and New York.

During the past year the content of The Lutheran has been greatly improved and its circulation increased.

In the spring several new and valuable books are to be published. In Jan. of 1947 a series of "Pocket Books" are to be issued primarily for the lay reader at a cost of 50c a copy.

During the past year your committee directed a campaign to increase the circulation of the Lutheran in our synod, had important books reviewed in the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and passed on to the Board of Publications all suggestions that it received.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Gaston,

Report of the Reporter to the Lutheran

Following the direction of Editor Ruff, I have sent in to The Lutheran all news from our synod, and parishes, of interest to the church at large. The Editor of The Lutheran is very specific in his directions and suggestions. If news is sent in that does not meet his requirements, he just doesn't print it. Just to be certain that I was doing my duty as your reporter, I sent in quite a volume of news that he did not request. He didn't print it. I don't blame him. I wouldn't have printed it either.

Humbly submitted,

Robert E. Gaston,

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education

The committee on Ministerial Education has obtained a supply of blanks from the Board of Education of the United Luthearn Church in America, whereon pastors or church council officers may register their

approval of young men in their congregations as ministerial students. Such registration is not an application for financial assistance, but gives the committee a working knowledge of youth of our Synod who might be led into the Gospel Ministry. These blanks were mailed to pastors of the Synod during the Epiphany Season this year.

Since the last meeting of Synod, two young men have been assisted financially by the committee:

Martin C. Ashley, of First Church, St. Joseph, Mo., has been attending Midland College since the fall of 1943 under the war-time acceleration of college schedules. For the summer term 1945, the committee granted Mr. Ashley $75.00, and for each of the fall and Spring terms he was given $135.00, making a total of $345.00 grants-in-aid.

Robert E. Schlichter, of First Church, Topeka, Kansas, entered Midland College last fall. He did not apply for assistance until shortly before the second semester, and requested $100.00 aid during the spring term. It was granted as requested.

In 1943, Synod suspended By-law VII-3, which limits the amount of aid to $200.00 per year "for the duration." In view of the fact that expenses are very high at present, and will doubtless be higher than normal for some time to come, we recommend that the Synod continue its suspension of By-law VII-3 for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. Search,

Report of Committee on Luther League

According to the best information obtainable, twenty-one of the churches of Synod maintain organized Luther Leagues. Five churches have two or more age groups. Altogether there are twenty-seven organized Luther Leagues, one of Young Peoples age, five of Senior age, six of Intermediate age, and fifteen of mixed ages. Fifteen of these groups meet weekly; nine meet bi-monthly; and three meet at irregular times. The total membership of all groups is four hundred and ninety-seven.

Your committee on Luther League has sought to promote a greater interest in the program of the Luther League among pastors and young people of the synod by letters and through the medium of the "Jack Rabbit," the official publication of the Synodical Luther League. The greatest activity of the committee is the promotion and direction of the Luther League Camp, held last year at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, July 22-27. The 1945 camp-convention was one of the best attended camp periods in the history of the Kansas Luther League. One hundred and sixty-one campers and twenty-eight counselors and staff members were present.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts		Disbursements	
From Synod (one-half of balance from 1944 camp.)	$ 53.64	Committee meeting	$ 13.46
Registrations	155.00	Staff expense	115.45
Donation	3.16	Advertising and Materials	82.89
Total	$211.80	Total	$211.80

Respectfully submitted,

H. Vance Baird.

Report of the Treasurer of the Synodical Luther League

Covering the period from August 1 to December 31, 1945.

Receipts:—			
From former treasurer	$ 14.66	22.60	$164.31
Camp Offering	65.53		
Aug. 1, Lawrence		5.00	5.00
Wichita			5.00
Topeka		3.00	10.00
Sept. 22, Kansas City Children's Mem.			20.00
Nov. 7, St. Joseph	5.00		
Nov. 7, Wakeeney	5.00		
Nov. 26, Wakeeney	8.00		
Nov. 26, Lawrence	36.00		
Nov. 27, Kansas City Children's Mem.	10.05		
Nov. 27, Lancaster	15.00		
Nov. 29, Hays	2.00		4.00
Total receipts	$176.24	$30.60	$208.31
Disbursements:—			
Dec. 21, Treas. Luther League of America	$176.24		$ 90.50
Dec. 21, Jack Rabbit" Luther League paper			21.23
Dec. 21, Postage			3.00
Total Disbursements	$176.24		$114.73
Balances, Dec. 31		$30.60	$83.58

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Kloepper,
Treasurer.

Report of the Committee on Social Missions

Your committee has tried to emphasize the program of Visitation Evangelism as its main objective during the past year. Letters have been sent out to all pastors of Synod stressing the need for careful planning of evangelism efforts in each congregation. The method of action and procedure has been suggested by the Board of Social Missiosns of the United Lutheran Church in America and sent direct from its office to all pastors.

Your chairman has also been appointed Bible Distribution Chairman for the American Bible Society by the president of Synod. The purpose in this line is to suggest methods of increasing Bible reading among the members of our synod. Bible distribution may be tied in with the evangelism program of each congregation. One way is to leave Scripture portions at each home called upon during the visitation evangelism campaign. "Do you have a good readable Bible?" is one question that should be asked at every home by the pastor of lay visitor. If the answer is "No," then suggestions should be made on how to obtain one and how to use it regularly.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That inasmuch as all major Protestant bodies are making lay Visitation Evangelism their objective during 1946 and 1947, especially the periods between Epiphany and Pentecost, that the congregations of the Synod cooperate actively by using the program of Visitation Evangelism as prepared and distributed by the Board of Social Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. That the congregations of the Synod seriously engage in an effort to reclaim their lapsed members, using the period suggested by the Board of Social Missions, September 15 to December 15, 1946, and that they follow the plan prepared and sent to each pastor by that Board.

3. That the subject of reclaiming the Lapsed Member be given consideration at each of the fall conferences of the Synod in 1946.

4. That the congregations of Synod and groups within the congregations be urged to study the Charter of the United Nations, and the ways in which the United Nations Organization may be used to lessen the tensions which too often have resulted in wars; and, that should the occasion arise, they communicate with the proper government officials their sincere desire that the offices of the United Nations Organization be used to avert clashes between world powers.

This committee has also, by action of the Executive Committee, been given the task of cooperating with the American Bible Society in its present effort to further the distribution of Bibles.

WHEREAS the present emergency needs of the American Bible Society and the increased responsibility for supplying missionaries with Scriptures will call for a substantial increase in its budget, and

WHEREAS the Society is the churches' missionary agency for the major part of Bible distribution at home and abroad, and

WHEREAS the Society must look to the churches for funds to meet its unparalleled present opportunities,

1. BE IT RESOLVED that each church of our Communion be urged to give generously to the American Bible Society both for its regular budget and its World Emergency budget through the regular channels provided by our demonination.

2. BE IT RESOLVED that each individual church be urged to set aside one Sunday this year for Universal Bible Sunday—December 8 is suggested by the Society—on which the place of the Bible is duly emphasized and the responsibility of the church in Bible distribution is clearly laid upon the consciences of the people.

3. BE IT RESOLVED that the individual churches be encouraged to have their members join in the daily reading of the Bible passages between Thanksgiving and Christmas, under the general theme, "The Word of Power for a Power Age," with the text, "Not by might, not by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."—(Zechariah 4:6)

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel W. Jensen,
Chairman.

Report of the Representative to Midland Assembly

The twenty-third annual Midland Assembly was held in Fremont, Nebraska, on August 5-10, 1945 with a fair attendance, despite travel restrictions still in effect at the time of the Assembly.

Morning programs were devoted to Credit courses and inspirational speakers. Among those on the 1945 program were the Rev. William Avery, of the Parish and Church School Board; Mrs. C. D. Heine, of Hooper, Nebr.; the Rev. W. H. Greever, D. D., L.L.D., Secretary of the United Lutheran Church; the Rev. Carl Bertsch, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Miss Emma Johnson, Missionary to India; Mrs. Adda Newcome, Fremont, Nebraska; Mrs. Hector Magalee, of British Guiana; Chaplain J. W. Stockman; Mrs. F. C. Maurer of Wes DesMoines, Iowa.

Congregational organizations contributed $381.50, which together with free will offerings at the Assembly's sessions and a $50.00 gift from the Nebraska Synodical Missionary Society totaled $520.68. Expenses of the 1945 Assembly program were $331.85.

Officers for the 1946 Assembly Program, elected at the 1945 Assembly, are: President, A. H. Pinkall, Omaha, Nebr.; Vice President, Paul DeFreese, Hooper, Nebr.; Secretary, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Omaha, Nebr.; Treasurer, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Lincoln, Nebr.

The 1946 Assembly will be held in Fremont on August 4-9, 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. Search

Report of the Committee on Work With Students

The annual student census, sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, and carried out by the Synodical Committee in cooperation with the Women's Missionary Society, was conducted in the fall of 1945. During the year the Lutheran Student Association meeting was held at Luther College, Wahoo, Nebraska, October 19, 20, and 21.

Be sure to place the new student's names on the Kansas Synod Lutheran mailing list. Encouragment of local pastors for students away from home to attend their church will help student pastors in their contacts. With many of our boys and girls returning from service of their country it is well to encourage them to foster their education in our church colleges.

Willard W. Alexander.

Report of the Committee on Synodical Brotherhood

Your committee on Synodical Brotherhood submits the following report:

Membership of the Synodical Brotherhood remains practically the same at the close of 1945 as at the end of the preceeding year; but during early 1946 several additional congregations have indicated that they plan to organize Brotherhoods during this year.

In line with the plan of the national Brotherhood to carry the Boy Scout program into every congregation in the ULCA, the Synodical Brotherhood appointed a special Boy Scout committee to carry on the program, including Gerald Lee, Kansas City, Kan., chairman; James Tatham, Lawrence; Dr. Frank Shaffer, Salina, and Roy Demmon, Atchison—all active scoutmasters.

During the year seven Brotherhoods contributed to the fund to purchase choir chairs for the chapel at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, with a total of $80 received for that purpose. Of that amount, $30 was voted by the Eastern Conference rally at Lawrence October 14, 1945, and the balance was given by these Brotherhoods: Atchison, $10; Lancaster, Emporia, Topeka, Salina and Lawrence, $5 each; Wichita, $15. This will purchase about twenty chairs, when they become available—about two-thirds of the number needed.

The report of Theodore Kloepper, Nortonville, Kan., synodical Brotherhood treasurer, shows total receipts of $107.71, and disbursements of $60.03, leaving a balance December 31, 1945, of $47.68. Synodical and national Brotherhood dues were received from Brotherhoods at

Emporia, Peabody, Lawrence, Salina, St. Joseph, Topeka, Lancaster, Wichita, Atchison; Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo., and Trinity, Kansas City, Kan.

Your Synodical Brotherhood also assisted in financing the Youth Conference at the Western Theological Seminary at Fremont, Neb., during the Thanksgiving holidays, paying $25 of the expenses.

Your committee wishes to submit the following recommendations to this convention:

1. That presidents of conferences be urged to include Brotherhood participation in programs for fall Conference rallies.

2. That the Brotherhood Boy Scout committee be designated also as the Synodical Scout committee, with instructions to carry Scout promotional efforts into local congregations where such activity is considered feasible.

3. That all congregations be urged to observe National Brotherhood Sunday, irrespective of whether they have active Brotherhood organizations.

Your committee expresses sincere appreciatiin to the officers and Executive committee of synod for their co-operation, and to all committess and pastors for their courtesies extended during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Evan W. Tonsing,
Chairman;
The Rev. A. D. Havekost,
Gerald Lee,
A. H. Goult.

Report of the 1946 Annual Convention of Men's Brotherhood of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

Sherer Memorial Lutheran Church

Chapman, Kansas

April 30, 1946

A. H. Goult, Kansas City, Missouri, Acting Secretary

The 1946 Convention was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Dr. Frank W. Shaffer, Salina, Kansas, acting as President at the request of President Evan W. Tonsing, who was unable to be present owing to illness. About 70 members were present.

The opening devotionals were conducted by Mr. E. F. Halbert, of Sherer Memorial Lutheran Church, Chapman, Kansas.

The minutes of the 1945 convention were read and approved.

The President's report was read and approved with the exception of recommendations which were to be considered later in the meeting.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Report of Boy Scout Committee was made verbally by Mr. Gerald Lee, giving a general outline of activities during the past year and prospects for the future.

Mr. John Carr of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, gave a brief and interesting talk on The Brotherhood and Young Men of the Church.

Mr. Gerald Lee, Rev. Robert Gaston and Rev. W. W. Alexander requested that the time assigned to them for talks be allotted to the Synodical President, Dr. A. J. Beil for the introduction of returned Chaplains and laymen veterans.

Dr. Beil presented the following who gave interesting and informative accounts of their war experiences:

Rev. Ernest Tonsing, Rev. Seigel, Laymen, Alstuff and Delbert Gerstenberger.

The following recommendations from the president's report were presented, voted on and carried in seriatim, then voted on and carried in whole.

1. That the Synodical Brotherhood Committee, President of Synod, and the three Brotherhood conference chairmen formulate an agressive program for extending the Brotherhood movement into each congregation of Synod which does not now have an active Brotherhood.

2. That publication of the Synodical Brotherhood Bulletin be continued during the coming year, at such intervals as may be determined by the President.

3. That the Synodical Brotherhood dues be continued for the calendar year 1946 at ten cents per active member.

4. That the joint dues plan be continued. Under this plan the Synodical Brotherhood Treasurer collects both Synodical and National Brotherhood dues, forwarding national dues collected to the national office and retaining Synodical Brotherhood dues for operation of the Synodical Brotherhood.

5. That this convention elect a delegate to the National Brotherhood convention, with power to appoint his own alternate if necessary, and that means be provided for meeting at least a part of his expenses. It is suggested that one of the delegates to the United Lutheran Church convention be designated as a delegate to the Brotherhood convention, the Brotherhood meeting the extra expense incurred above ULCA convention expenses.

6. That $25 of the Synodical Brotherhood funds be designated for the Life Service Retreat to be held at the Western Seminary at Fremont, Nebr., next fall, and the Treasurer instructed to forward that amount to Dr. Thomas D. Rinde, dean.

7. That the project to provide chairs for the Chapel Choir at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga be continued, and all Brotherhoods which have not participated be asked to do so as soon as possible.

8. That the Secretary be instructed to transmit to the men of Sherer Memorial Church our sincere appreciation for the most courteous and helpful hospitality granted this convention.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a message and flowers be sent to our President, Mr. Evan Tonsing, expressing our concern for his health and assuring him of our prayers for his early recovery.

The nominating committee presented the following nominations for offices for the year opening with this convention and closing with the installation of the officers at the 1947 Convention:

For President—John Carr, Atchison, Kansas
For Vice-Pres—Delbert Gerstenberger, Lawrence, Kansas.
For Secretary—A. H. Goult, Kansas City, Missouri
For Treasurer—Wilbur Marshall, Eureka, Kansas
Member of Executive Committee, from Western Conference to serve for term of three years—Dr. Frank Shaffer, Salina, Kan.

Mr. Goult requested that his name be withdrawn and Dr. E. E. Stauffer then nominated Mr. Marvin Johnson, Wichita, Kansas for the office of Secretary, which nomination was duly seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed

and the Secretary instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for the following officers:

President—John Carr, Atchison, Kansas
Vice-President—Delbert Gerstenberger, Lawrence, Kansas
Secretary—Marvin Johnson, Wichita, Kansas
Treasurer—Wilbur Marshall, Eureka, Kansas
Member of Executive Committee from Western Conference for term of three years—Dr. Frank Shaffer, Salina, Kansas

No further business appearing the meeting adjourned to meet at 7:00 P.M. in the dining room at the Church for the Annual Brotherhood Banquet.

A. H. Goult, Acting Secretary

1946 Annual Brotherhood Banquet—Held in the dining room of the Sherer Memorial Lutheran Church, Chapman, Kansas, 7:00 P. M., April 30, 1946

About 100 members and guests attended.

Mr. W. F. Teague led in singing the National Anthem.

The invocation was given by Rev. Geo L. Search, Hays, Kansas.

Community singing was led by Mr. W. F. Teague; Mr. Ira T. Koogle introduced the special guests.

Rev. Geo. W. Eller, Beloit, Kansas presented the men in active charge of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga and paid a glowing tribute to their faithfulness and devotion to duty.

Special music was furnished by students of Dickinson County High School.

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D. D., Jackson, Mississippi, the speaker of the evening, gave an inspiring address on "Calling All Lutheran Men."

The 1946-47 officers were installed by Rev. A. J. Beil, Synodical President.

Rev. A. L. Mendenhall pronounced the Benediction.

Meeting ended with all joining in "God be with You till We Meet Again."

A. H. Goult, Acting Secretary

DIRECTORY

Women's Missionary Society

1946—1947

Officers

President: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, 1114 Amidon Ave., Wichita, 8, Kansas.

First Vice President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Lancaster, Kansas.

Second Vice President: Mrs. George R. Whittecar, 234 South Gillette, Tulsa, 4, Okla.

Third Vice President: Mrs. Ward Barber, 515 N. W. 3rd, Abilene, Kansas.

Treasurer: Miss Helen Finke, 422 South 6th, Atchison, Kansas.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, 865 Custer, Salina, Kansas.

Statistical Secretary: Mrs. M. H. Barton, 836 South Madison Ave., Wichita, 9, Kansas

Member General Board: Mrs. M. K. Jensen, 600 Louisiana St., Lawrence, Kansas.

Elected Department Secretaries

Industrial Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston, 313 N. Elm, Eureka, Kansas.

Historian & Education: Mrs. M. K. Jensen, 600 Louisiana St., Lawrence, Kansas.

Promotional Secretary: Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen, 2008 N. 31st., Kansas City, 2, Kansas.

Appointed Secretaries

Box Work: Mrs. Geo. Search, 1207 Fort St., Hays, Kansas.

Deaconess: Mrs. John Zimmerman, Valley Falls, Kansas.

Life Membership and In Memoriam: Mrs. Walter Selle, 3935 Chestnut, Kansas City, 4, Mo.

Magazine: Mrs. Emma Wolf, 110 Northeast Seventh, Abilene, Kansas.

Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer: Mrs. R. J. Tietz, 2309 Goff Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.

Patron & Protege: Mrs. Geo. Eller, Beloit, Kansas.

Student: Miss Selma Beil, 719 East South Park, Lawrence, Kansas.

Thank Offering: Mrs. E. P. Boersch, 132 South Chelsea St., Kansas City, 1, Mo.

Editor for Kansas Synod Lutheran: Mrs. Paul Tonsing, 315 North Terrace, Atchison, Kansas.

Parliamentarian: Mrs. Pearl Lange Schuler, 3914 Harrison St., Kansas City, 4, Mo.

Program Committee: Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, 7331 Park Ave., Kansas City, 5, Mo.; Mrs. E. R. Harrison, 1015 North Washington, Hutchinson, Kansas.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Women's Missionary Society

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, D. D., Pastor

Abilene, Kansas

April 29 — May 2, 1946

Monday, April 29, 4:15

The Executive Board held a business meeting to discuss and clarify matters that would come before the convention. There were seventeen board members present.

Monday, April 29, 7:45 P.M.

The Service of Holy Communion for the Women's Missionary Convention was held Monday evening with the Communion Meditation by Rev. E. E. Stauffer and Rev. Fuller Bergstresser as Liturgist.

Tuesday, April 30, 9:00 A.M.

Devotionals were given by Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser of Abilene using the thought "My Bible and My Faith."

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich declared the sixty-sixth Convention of Women's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States open.

Mrs. Fred Kloepper presented the program.

A motion to accept the program with necessary changes for the good of the Convention carried.

The following officers and delegates were enrolled:

President: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

First Vice President: Miss Helen Fink

Third Vice President: Mrs. J. Albert Schultz

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Eastern Conference

Atchison: Mrs. W. Tschorn; Mrs. Leslie Long
Bendena: Mrs. E. M. Albers; Mrs. R. C. Myers
Cole Camp: Mrs. J. T. Ahrens
Kansas City, Kansas: Mrs. Alvin D. Havekost; Mrs. Anna Christiansen; Mrs. H. A. Hansen
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial: Mrs. A. D. Fennell; Miss Roma Wells; Mrs. Lewis O. Bishop
Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's: Mrs. Nelson O. Lindey; Mrs. E. T. Rennike; Mrs. H. G. Rumberger; Pearl Lange Schuler; Mrs. H. H. Hover; Mrs. Milton E. Turville; Miss Lillian E. Dentinger
Lancaster: Mrs. Richard Scholz; Matilda Gigstad
Lawrence: Miss Lydia Hutt; Mrs. Solon Markley; Mrs. A. J. Beil; Miss Alma Nelson; Mrs. C. J. Eriksen; Mrs. Olive Kerr
St. Joseph, Mo.: Mrs. R. J. Tietz; Mrs. R. R. Frobenius; Mrs. Ray Shriver
Topeka: Mrs. Raymond Schad

Southern Conference

Emporia: Mrs. W. Alexander; Mrs. E. T. Anderson
Eureka: Mrs. George Bancroft; Mrs. H. H. Bush
Ft. Smith, Ark: Miss Doris Bentley; Mrs. Emil Sudman
Huthinson: Mrs. Lou Smith; Mrs. Delia Young; Marcia Hahn; Alene Gossage; W. Leola Greever; Mrs. E. J. Alstatt
Peabody: Mrs. R. E. Frobenius
Tulsa: Mrs. Otto Endres
Wellington: Mrs. Thomas Frack
Wichita: Mrs. Melvin Lofgren; Mrs. Iris Mann; Mrs. Owen L. Eshelman; Mrs. Geo. E. Walker; Mrs. D. E. Anderson; Mrs. R. L. Tonsing; Mrs. M. D. Hoover; Miss Louise Easterday

Western Conference

Abilene: Mrs. C. L. Brainard; Mrs. Donald M. Nicolay
Beloit: Mrs. P. W. Schulz; Mrs. George Eller
Glasco: Mrs. Otto Oelke
Greenleaf: Mrs. E. W. Holden
Hays: Mrs. George L. Search; Mrs. A. F. Swanson
Salina: Mrs. William Reilly; Mrs. Walter Lindblom; Mrs. Christine Harder Pfenninger
Wakeeney: Mrs. Clarence Hillman
Waterville: Mrs. Linn Livers
Waterville, Hebron: Mrs. Elmer Mann
Wilson: Mrs. Bertha Weinhold

Greetings to the Convention were extended by Mrs. R. H. Owens of Abilene. The response was given by Mrs. Thomas Frack of Wellington.

Minutes of the Executive Board were read as follows:

The Executive Board met at Trinity Lutheran Church, Abilene, Kansas, April 29 at 4:15 P.M. with 17 members present.

Miss Helen Fink led the devotions.

Recommendation was made that the doors be closed during the devotional period.

Recommendation was made that offerings be placed in the Synodical Fund and be expended from that fund.

Recommendation was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes after the first business session.

Notations: A check of $100 from a friend was placed in the Triennial Fund.

A check of $300 from a friend was placed in the Crippled Children's Fund of Tabitha Home through the Women's Missionary Society.

Recommendation was made that the Communications Committee prepare a special "Thank You" note to these friends giving the checks.

Recommendation was made that the Synodical Women's Missionary Society continue their offer of a year's tuition for a girl student at Midland College from Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States whose purpose is Christian Service. The fund for the Scholarship shall be collected by free will offerings in the local society during the month of June and shall be administered by a committee to be appointed by the Executive Board.

Recommendation was made that the typewriter for Miss Schwab be paid for out of the Synodical Fund.

A motion that the newly elected treasurer get a corrected statement from Headquarters of membership and to pay the Triennial Fund in full by June 15 carried.

A motion that we give Nancy a love gift of $5.00 carried.
Motion to adjourn carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Avis Jackson, Secretary

Motion that all Life Members present, who are not delegates, be given the privilege of voting carried.

Motion that Minutes of Executive Board Meeting be accepted as read carried.

Motion to vote on recommendations separately carried.

All recommendations were accepted as read.

Motion to accept recommendations as a whole carried.

The Convention Committees were announced as follows:

Reporter for Kansas Synod Lutheran and Lutheran Woman's Work: Mrs. R. L. Tonsing

Reporter for The Lutheran: Mrs. Reno Frobenius

Reporter to Local Papers: Mrs. Burl Pepper

Officers' Reports: Mrs. Leslie Long, Mrs. Geo. Bancroft, Mrs. E. M. Albers, Mrs. A. D. Havekost

Eduation and Departmental Secretaries' Reports: Mrs. H. G. Rumberger, Miss Matilda Gigstad, Mrs. C. J. Erikson

Secretary's Minutes: Mrs. Geo. Eller, Miss Helen Fink

Committee on Claims: Miss Harriet Kjerulff, Mrs. Lewis Bishop, Mrs. E. T. Rennicke

Resolutions: Mrs. A. J. Beil, Mrs. R. E. Frobenius, Mrs. P. W. Scholz

Letters and Communications: Mrs Geo. E. Walker, Mrs. Linn Livers, Mrs. John Zimmerman

Tellers: Mrs. Geo. Search, Mrs. M. E. Turville, Miss Roma Wells, Mrs. Melvin Lofgren, Miss Louise Easterday

The Courtesy Chairman presented Miss Selma Beil, Mrs. Otto Oelke, and Mrs. Louis Weitzenkamp to the Convention.

Communications were read from Mrs. O. A. Sardeson and Sister Edith Prince.

The Worship with Offerings.

Mrs .W. W. Alexander of Emporia presented a new Missionary Society organized in their Church at Emporia.

Report of the Nominating Committee was given by Mrs. George Search.

Motion that report of Nominating Committee be accepted as read carried.

Miss Helen Fink, First Vice President, presided while the President gave her report.

Report of the President

We bow in humble gratitude before God for the privilege of assembling in a nation that is again at Peace. As we are assembled in the Sixty-sixth Annual Convention of our Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States we note there are open doors for service everywhere. Let us meet these great challenges in our local church, our Synod, and the World Church.

In looking over the Treasurer's report I note an increase of over

$2500 in the Grand Total figures. Still all of us have much room for improvement. There are some blank spaces on all societies' reports. Please pay on all active members your society reports.

It is gratifying to note, according to the Statistical report we have an increase in active membership of 86. May we strive for the 1000 goal next year.

Our Triennial objective offering amounted to less than $2000 for the year, but let us still continue to work for our Synodical Goal of $3850. Remember the last date for paying the Triennial Objective is the June quarter of 1946.

I wish to thank the Executive Board and in fact, all members of our Synodical for their loyal co-operation and their faithful service.

I attended the Western, Eastern, and Southern Conference meetings. Letters and cards written, 387. Articles written, 8.

We will continue our publicity in the Kansas Synod Lutheran in the following manner:

January—Mission Study and Promotional Secretary
February—Deaconess and Executive Board Member
March—Industrial and Treasurer
April—Convention Program
May—Life Membership and In Memoriam and Box Work
June—Student Secretary
July—Patron and Protege
September—Vice Presidents
October—Thank Offering
November—Magazine and Educational Secretary
December—Statistician

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

Motion that this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee carried.

The Treasurer gave a very gratifying report and the increases were encouraging.

Motion that report be accepted as read and referred to the proper committee carried.

Mrs. Turville gave the Auditing Committee report.

Report of the Auditing Committee

We have this date, Feb. 10, 1946 audited the yearly report and find same to be correct in every detail and have the balance in the bank to be $1,212.46.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. M. E. Turville
Mrs. Gerald W. Lee

Motion to accept the report as read and refer it to the proper committee carried.

Mrs. M. H. Barton presented the Statistical Secretary report.

Motion made to accept the report and refer it to the proper committee carried.

The Convention sang two stanzas of "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go."

A new young ladies Society was presented by Miss Doris Bentley of Fort Smith, Ark.

Nancy Nimenah presented the cause, results, and influences of the Mission Work of Liberia.

Mrs. Emmerich dismissed the Convention with Prayer.

Tuesday, 1:30 P.M.

The devotion "My Bible in the Home" was given by Mrs. R. T. Teitz of St. Joseph, Mo.

Roll call and minutes of the morning session were read.

The Courtesy Chairman presented Mrs. W. W. Alexander; Miss Louise Easterday, parish worker of Wichita; Sister Eleanor, deaconess from Tulsa; Miss Lillian Dentinger, parish worker from St. Mark's, Kansas City, Mo. to the Convention.

The Election of officers was the next matter of business.

Motion that we not vote on Member of the General Board until delegates to General Convention have been elected carried.

Motion that the election of the delegates to General Convention be delayed until after the elections carried.

Result of the election:

President: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich
First Vice President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper
Second Vice President: Mrs. George Whittecar
Third Vice President: Mrs. Ward Barber
Recording Secretary: Mrs. Ernest Tonsing
Statistical Secretary: Mrs. M. H. Barton
Promotional Secretary: Mrs. Henry Christiansen
Treasurer: Miss Helen Fink
Industrial Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston
Historian & Education Secretary: Mrs. J. P. Jensen

"My Bible Lives in India" was full of inspiration as revealed to us by Miss Agnes Christenson. This left a challenge to us for more missionaries to come to India.

Worship with offering.

Mrs. Boersch presented the Literature and Reading Course to the Convention.

Mrs. Selle presented Mrs. H. Brent Schaffer, wife of the U. L. C. representative; Mrs. Paul Close, former pastor's wife and Mrs. W. Moehler, pastor's wife of St. Joseph to the Convention.

Mrs. Emmerich presented Rev. Mendenhall, pastor of Chapman to the Convention.

The Life Membership and In Memoriam Shower was sponsored by Mrs. E. R. Harrison and assisted by Mrs. Fred Kloepper and members of the societies presenting the memberships. Forty three Life, six In Memorials, and four transferrals to In Memoriam were given.

The closing prayer of the Shower Service closed the session.

Tuesday, 6:30 P.M.

The Banquet Dinner was held at the Presbyterian Church. The delicious dinner was followed by a program which included Sister Mildred Winter and Miss Agnes Christenson as speakers. Mrs. Ward Barber was toastmistress and carried the theme "Go Through the Gates" throughout the program.

Wednesday, 9:00 A.M.

Devotional "My Bible Lives through the Church" was given by Sister Eleanor.

Elections were continued.

Motion made that we vote for one name to be the second delegate and the second highest be the first alternate, the third highest be the second alternate carried.

The president, Mrs. Emmerich, automatically becomes the first delegate.

Result of election of delegates to General Convention:

Second delegate—Miss Helen Fink

First Alternate—Mrs. Fred Juergensen

Second Alternate—Mrs. Walter Selle

Rev. Rangeler, representative of Tabitha Home, told us how "My Bible Lives at Tabitha Home."

Nominations for General Board Member were made.

Motion that nominations for General Board Member close carried.

Motion that person receiving highest number of votes cast be the General Board Member Nominee and the second highest be the alternate carried.

Result of election:

General Board Nominee: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

Alternate for General Board Nominee: Mrs. F. W. Juergensen

Worship with offerings.

The Convention was divided into two groups and each group attended the "Work Shop" in relays. The "Special Gifts" shop was conducted by Mrs. F. W. Juergensen and the "Promotional Division" was under the direction of Mrs. Fred Kloepper.

Wednesday, 1:30 P.M.

Devotional "My Bible Lives in the Community" was given by Miss Louise Easterday, parish worker of Wichita.

The "Highlights" of the morning workship were presented by Mrs. M. D. Hoover for the Special Gifts Division and by Miss Lillian Dentinger for the Promotional Division.

Mrs. Emmerich presented Pastors Oelke, Tonsing and Smith to the Convention.

Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, Mission Study Secretary, introduced the Study theme for the coming year. She gave a short review of the book, "India on the Threshold" by Winifred Bryce.

Miss Agnes Christenson gave little personal glimpses into the lives

of the Synod's Proteges that she knew personally.

Mrs. Selle, Courtesy Chairman, presented Mrs. Mendenhall, pastor's wife of Chapman to the Convention.

Worship with offerings.

Sister Mildred Winter told us in a very inspiring manner that "My Bible Lives through the Diaconate."

Dr. Stauffer of Wichita brought Greetings of Synod to the Convention.

The newly elected officers for the coming year were formally installed with a candle lighting service, conducted by Mrs. Walter Selle.

Mrs. Emmerich dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Wednesday, 7:45 P.M.

The Evening Service was well attended by Members of Synod. "The Church of India in Her New Role" was a most interesting current address given by Miss Agnes Christenson. Sister Mildred Winter's address "The Challenge of the Diaconate" was very challenging and we hope her challenge is answered.

Thursday, 9:00 A.M.

Miss Helen Fink of Atchison gave the morning devotion "My Bible in the World." Mrs. A. D. Havekost of Kansas City, Kansas sang "Holy Bible, Book Divine" at the close of the Devotional period.

The Children of the Church Work was presented by Mrs. A. D. Havekost in the absence of Miss Mildred Christiansen.

Reports of the Convention Committees followed.

Committee on Officers' Reports

After hearing the President's report the Committee recommends we appreciate the efficient and faithful work done by the President, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, and her officers. Especially do we want to recognize the years of service given by our retiring Recording Secretary, Mrs. Kenneth Jackson; also our retiring Treasurer, Miss Harriet Kjerulff. We recommend that the reports of the officers be accepted as read.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Leslie Long
Mrs. Geo. Bancroft
Mrs. E. M. Alberts
Mrs. A. D. Havekost

Motion to accept this report as read carried.

Report of Committee on Education and Departmental Secretaries

The Committee has read with approval the reports of the Secretaries, and we are grateful for the faithful and efficient work done by them.

We suggest that these reports be studied by each local society and all available materials and literature be used for the advancement of the Lord's Work.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. G. Rumberger
Miss Maltilda Gigstad

Motion to accept this report was carried.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

At the close of this the 66th annual Convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, we the Committee on Resolutions, present the following:

1. That we express to Doctor and Mrs. Bergstresser and all members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church, our most sincere appreciation for the most gracious welcome and genuine hospitality extended to our convention.

2. That we heartily commend our beloved president, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich for her untiring and faithful service during the past year.

3. That we express our gratitude to all the officers and department secretaries for the faithful and efficient service rendered the organization during the past year.

4. That we express our thanks to the organists and all other musicians who added inspiration to our programs.

5. That we express our deepest appreciation to Sister Mildred Winter, Sister Eleanor Blumberg, the Misses Agnes Christenson, Lillian Dentinger, and Louise Easterday for the honor of their presence and the inspiration of their messages.

6. That we express our thanks to Miss Nancy Niminah for her fine message and assure her of our sincere prayers for her continued progress, that she may soon complete her education and return to her home land to carry the glad tidings of the gospel to her people.

7. That we express our gratitude to those, who in their inspiring devotionals, helped us to visualize our Bible as a "living Book."

8. Finally we who stand at "the gates" resolve to "go through the gates" and strive to meet the challenge which has been so effectively presented to us during this our 66th Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs A.lfred J. Beil
Mrs. P .W. Schulz
Mrs. R. E. Frobenius

Motion to accept this report and a copy be made to be given to Dr. Bergstresser to be read in his Congregation and all others mentioned in this report receive a copy was carried.

Report of Committee on Secretary's Minutes

We the Committee on Secretary's Minutes have carefully read the

minutes and find them correct.

Therefore they stand approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. Eller
Miss Helen Fink

Motion to accept report as read carried.

Report of Committee on Letters and Communications

We the Committee on Letters and Communications, for the Sixty-sixth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States, wish to report the following letters have been sent:

Miss Lillith Schwab
Mrs. Magda K. Jensen
Miss Ruth Juram
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wortz
Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Emmerich
Mrs. R. E. Rifenbary
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Miss Catherine Barber
Mr. Donald Robson

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. Walker
Mrs. John Zimmerman
Mrs. Linn Livers

A motion to accept this report was carried.

A motion made to pay $50.00 toward the printing of the minutes.

A motion made to amend the motion to read $60.00 in place of $50.00.

Motion to pay $60.00 toward the printing of the minutes carried.

Report of Committee on Claims

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, president	$21.30
Miss Helen Fink, vice-president	7.00
Mrs. J. Albert Schultz	2.00
Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, rec. secy.	6.50
Miss Harriet Kjerulff, treasurer	10.51
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Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Industrial Secy.	5.00
Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Educational Secy.	7.00
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Mrs. Geo. R. Whittecar, Boxwork Secy.	1.60
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Miss Edna Bell, Student Secretary	1.38	
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Mrs. Geo. E. Walker, communications	1.60	
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Nancy Nimmick, Love gift	5.00	
Twitch's Crippled Children's Home	300.00	
Toward printing of Minutes	60.00	
Triennial Objective	100.00	
Miss Lillith Schwab, typewriter	65.00	
		$550.00

Motion that Report of Committee on Claims be accepted carried.

A motion to take the money out of the Synodical Treasury to pay postage of the box sent to Miss Mae Rohlfs in China carried.

The total offerings were	$120.37
Cash for Boxwork	110.00
Towards postage on boxwork materials	12.09

Motion to give a love gift of $10.00 each to Miss Christensen and Sister Mildred to use as they wish carried.

The Convention clasped hands forming a circle and sang "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich declared the Sixty-sixth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States closed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Kenneth Jackson,
Recording Secretary.

Report of the First Vice-President

The Rally of the Eastern Conference was held in Trinity Lutheran Church, Lawrence, Kansas the afternoon and evening of October 14, 1945.

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The opening session of the Rally was under the direction of the Luther League and closed with an inspiration service at which the Rev. Calvin Naugle was speaker.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Fink.

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Report of the Second Vice-President

The Southern Conference met in Tulsa, Nov. 1, 1945 with Mrs. S. R. Kauffman leading in the opening worship service using the theme, "Jesus Calls."

Mrs. Emmerich spoke on "Are we meeting the Challenge?" and gave a report on the Triennial Objective.

Mrs. Whittecar and Mrs. Gaston presented the progress of the Box Work and Industrial Departments in a very interesting way.

Toward the close of the morning session a joint meeting was held with the Pastors and Laymen when the Rev. J. T. Morrow, Executive Secretary of the Tulsa Council of Churches, gave the group an inspiring address on "Current Trends in American Church Life." The meeting adjourned for luncheon served by the Tulsa Women.

The afternoon session opened with a worship service led by Sister Eleanor Blumberg. The address of the afternoon was given by Miss Mary Bishchoff, who spoke of her work as a missionary in China.

The offering for the day, $$33.35, was voted to be sent to the Triennial Objective Fund. At the close of the session a trip was taken to Philbrook Art Museum to view the "Art in Religion" on display there.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. B. P. Sibole.

Report of the Third Vice-President

Western Conference met at Abilene, Kansas, Oct. 2, 1945 with a large attendance. The theme for the day, "Called to Serve," was brought to us in song and devotionals. Mrs. Emma Wolf, Magazine secretary, and Mrs. Ralph Vague, Patron and Protege secretary, gave reports. A talk on "Our Triennial Objective" by Mrs. Emmerich was informative. "What are you Doing," a discussion group, was led by Mrs. George Eller. The Chapman Society presented a skit entitled "The Program Committee Faces Fact." Special music was enjoyed. Mrs. Kenneth Jackson presented our study books for the coming year. Our collection for the day was placed in the Triennial Fund. Glasco extended an invitation for the 1946 Conference.

A fine covered dish luncheon was served at noon. Everyone present felt she had spent a most profitable day.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. Albert Schultz.

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Report of the Industrial Secretary

During the past year letters have been sent to each society encouraging them to have an India Lace Day in their church, an article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and the India Lace work was presented at the Southern Conference meeting.

The offering for the Lace Work for the year was $213.94.

We hope that this year some of the laces can be shipped to America that we may see the results of our continued gifts to this work during the war years when it was banned because of the lack of shipping space. May we continue to give our help to these Christian women in India with our India Lace Day offerings.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Robert E. Gaston.

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Report of Historian & Education Secretary

The monthly copies of the Kansas Synod Lutheran have been filed; as has a copy of the 1945 Minutes. During the year, a metal trunk has been purchased in which to store all the books, files, letters, etc. which are being preserved for the Women's Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. P. Boersch.

Report of the Promotion Secretary

During the past year, two artic'es were written for Kansas Synod Lutheran, two letters forwarded to all societies with reference to the Midland scholarship, and one letter concerning Miss Ruth Juram's itinerary, last spring, through our Synod.

In connection with Miss Juram's itinerary, we wish to express our gratitude to everyone who was instrumental in making her stay in our Synod a successful one. Many of our members were very helpful in providing hospitality and transportation, thereby enabling Miss Juram to contact twenty-two congregations. Our sincere thanks for your cooperation.

In October, this Secretary participated in a Round Table discussion presented before the Eastern Conference at Lawrence, Kansas.

We are constantly reminded of the large percentage of children and adults that the church as yet has been unable to reach. Through your promotion work within your own society, you are helping to remedy this situation. May I impress upon you the importance of these few words: "Be Concerned, Be Informed, Be Enthusiastic, Be Faithful!"

Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen.

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Report of the Box Work Secretary

Since this department continued to feel the effect of restrictions on sending packages overseas during the past year, we again have urgd that societies send cash gifts to the various mission fields for the purchase of needed materials. Societies were asked to remember home mission stations generously with packages. Much interest has been shown in some of the Box Work activities, especially in such projects as the Russian Relief kits. A new leaflet, written by Mrs. Raymond B. Fenner, general Box Work secretary, was sent to the local societies last fall. A report was presented at the Southern Conference, and an article was prepared for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

With difficulties in the transportation of packages being removed, local groups are asked to be alert to new opportunities for service in this department.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. George R. Whittecar.

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Report of the Deaconess Secretary

This year has brought peace As our field secretary, Sister Mildred Winter, has stated: "This is the time when the women of the Church must awaken to the fact that if the Church is to have a place in the world of tomorrow, there must be more women making their vocation the work of the Church."

Letters were sent to each missionary group this year, asking them to remember the Deaconess Cause. An article from THE LUTHERAN was reprinted in the February KANSAS SYNOD LUTHERAN.

I attended the Eastern Conference at Lawrence and participated in the round table discussion.

Sister Eleanor Blumberg and the Deaconess Secretary of the ULCA Mrs. Funck, have helped keep me informed on the latest developments in this vital work.

This remark by Elsie Otto could easily be changed to "a deaconess:"

"There is nothing as difficult to obtain as missionary personnel. We come to you, our ration board, to ask for priority rating on personnel."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. John Zimmerman,
Deaconess Secretary.

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Report of Life Membership and In Memoriam Secretary

An effort has been made during the past year to keep the Life Membership and In Memoriam ever before the societies by sending general letters to each president each six months, also reminder cards each quarter of the year.

From Jan. 10, 1945 to Jan. 10, 1946 we are happy to report:

Life Memberships	59	$590.00
In Memoriams	10	250.00
Transferrals	7	105.00
Totals	76	$845.00

May we continue to keep our department ever before our members so we may reach the goal of Every Member a Life Member.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. R. Harrison.

Report of Magazine Secretary

It is most gratifying to know that our magazine subscriptions have greatly increased and I am sure we have all derived much pleasure and benefit from the good articles contained in it. Although we had to drop several societies from the "Honor Roll" this year, we gained more than we lost. I think perhaps many societies gained more new members and then neglected to sell the magazine to them. A little more work and we shall reach our goal "Every member a subscriber."

I sent a form letter to all societies urging members to read and study our magazine, "Lutheran Women's Work," that they may be informed on the progress of our work. I also wrote an article in the October number of KANSAS SYNOD LUTHERAN. We have sixteen societies on the "Honor Roll" this year:

Emporia, W. M. S.; Hutchinson, W. M. S.; Tulsa, W. M. S.; Wichita, W. M. S.; Wichita, Mission Daughters; Atchison, W. M. S.; Cole Camp, W. M. S.; Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity, W. M. S.; Lancaster, W. M. S.; Valley Falls, W. M. S.; Abilene, Lutheran Women's Society; Beloit,

W. M. S.; Hays, W. M. S.; Washington, W. M. S.; Waterville, W. M. S.; Chapman, W. M. S.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Emma Wolf.

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Report of Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer Secretary

During the past year information outlining the Mission Study work was sent to each society. Two articles suggesting study books to be used during the year have been sent to the Eastern and Western Conferences to be used on their program. In January an article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Your secretary is unable to make a comparison with last year's work, for she has not received any data.

Mrs. James O. Heiffner.

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Report of Patron and Protege Secretary

Nitalla Florence, India, W. M. S., Wichita	$ 50.00
Bethula Annamnia, India, Mission Daughters, Wichita	50.00
Namburo Kanthanuace, India, Lail Class, Wichita	50.00
Student No. 64, W. Africa, W. M. S., Wichita	40.00
Native Bible Woman, India, "A Friend," Rock Port, Mo.	50.00
Islapti Lydia Israel, India, Dramatic Club, St. Joseph	50.00
Gilda Marmokyamma, India, Matron's Class, St. Joseph	50.00
	$340.00

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ralph Vague.

Report of Student Secretary

During the month of October, the Annual Student Census was conducted. This is sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church and directed by the Synodical Committee on Work with Students in cooperation with the Women's Missionary Society. Twenty-six of the forty-one parishes of Synod reported students attending institutions of higher education. The total number of students reached 108 in comparison with 48 students a year ago. Eight of this number are attending Lutheran schools while 100 are attending state or other institutions. Of this number, seven young women are engaged in Nurses' Training.

It is our hope and prayer that those who have opportunity will en-

courage our young people to attend our own Lutheran colleges. We believe that while they are preparing themselves for their chosen fields, they may also be inspired to better Christian living and their faith will be strengthened as they come in contact with believing instructors and young people of their own faith.

Respectfully submitted,

Selma Beil.

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Report of the Thank Offering Secretary

Letters with literature, including the letter from our general secretary, Mrs. Skocpol, were sent to each society. One article was sent to the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Study the treasurer's report for amounts given in Thank Offering. Have we done our best? We are most thankful for the increase over last year.

The Thank Offering Christian is a world-visioned Christian who, through daily thankoffering worship, is led to use her gifts and talents that through the church of Jesus Christ, "they all may be one."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.

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January 10, 1945 to January 10, 1946	General Fund	Synodical Fund	Lilith Schwab	Thank Offering	Christmas Offering	Lenten Offerings	Scholarship Fund	Life Memberships	In Memoriam	Associate Members	Home Tabitha	Lace Industry	Protege	World Day of Prayer	Triennial Objective	Travel Expense Miss Juram	Deaconess Fund	TOTALS
Abilene, Trinity	36.00	12.00	45.00	32.14		8.14	5.00		60.00			5.00			50.00			253.28
Atchison, St. Mark's	30.00	10.00	36.00	52.65	10.00	15.20	4.00	20.00							45.00	5.25		228.10
Atchison, St. Mark's Missionite Soc.	14.40	4.80	10.00	17.03		1.62/		10.00										57.85
Beloit, Zion	12.00	4.00	15.00	37.47			1.00	20.00	25.00			1.00			50.00			165.47
Bendena, St. John's	24.00	8.00	36.00	3.65				20.00							25.00	9.60		126.25
Bendena, Circle No. 2	31.00			17.00			5.00	10.00				3.50						66.50
Cole Camp, United	18.90	4.10	15.39	26.07		13.16	3.85											81.47
Chapman, Scherer Mem.	18.00	6.00	22.50	33.77			3.40					5.26			5.05	8.00		101.98
Emporia, St. Mark's	20.10	6.70	24.00	40.56		3.00	2.00											96.36
Eureka, Christ Colta Soc.	24.00	8.00	30.00	45.60			6.30	20.00				5.00			100.00	8.00		246.90
Fort Smith, St. Luke's	16.80	5.60	25.20	32.72		15.37/		30.00	25.00			2.00			44.18			196.87
Glasco, St. Paul's	14.40	4.80	18.00	19.00						2.00		5.00			60.00	5.00		128.20
Glasco, Daughters of St. Paul's																		
Greenleaf, Trinity	15.60	4.90	19.50	43.53			1 00	10.00			10.00	1.00	3.84	3.84	65.00			174.37
Hays, Women of the Church	21.90	11.00	23.00	48.66		12.55	9.76	10.00				5.00			70.00			211.87
Hutchinson, Zion	18.00		18.00	50.87		6.12/		20.00	25.00									137.99
Hutchinson, Zion Daughters	14.40	4.80	4.80	45.10			5.00											74.10
Kansas City, Trinity	19.20	6.40	24.00	54.70	10.65	11.50	5.00	30.00		1.00	5.00	11.69			45.00			229.14
Kansas City, Philadora Society	22.80	7.60	14.25	76.70	5.00	14.90	5.00	10.00		4.00		12.33			55.00	5.00	2.50	235.08
Kansas City, St. Mark's	47.70	15.60	80.00	120.00	10.00	10.25	10.00	30.00		15.00	25.00	35.00			172.00			580.55
Kansas City, King's Daughters	18.00	6.00	16.95	26.00		14.11	5.00								55.65			141.71
Kansas City, Children's Mem.	18.00	6.00	22.50	65.66	5.00	7.00	3.00		40.00	3.00		5.00			33.00			208.16
Kansas City, Luminaire Society	15.60	5.20	19.50	63.68		14.70/		20.00							33.00			176.68
Lancaster, St. John's	19.20	6.40	24.00	93.50		5.00	9.50	60.00				6.50			46.60	5.00		290.70
Lawrence, Trinity	44.40	14.40	55.50	165.00	5.00	19.00/		20.00	25.00	10.00		15.00			85.00			458.30
Lawrence, Noami Group	17.20		16.50	55.00			3.00								3.00			94.70
Moray Society	15.20	4.80	20.08	15.00			2.00	10.00				2.00						69.00
Oklahoma City	9.90	3.30	12.40	5.00		5.00/						3.00			7.10			45.70
Peabody, St. Paul's	8.40	2.80	9.10	37.55								3.00			10.00			70.85
Peabody, Martha Society	18.40	6.00	22.50	12.52				10.00			15.00							84.42
Rockport, A Friend													50.00					50.00
Rockport, Ladies Aid				31.02				10.00										41.02

Salina, St. John's	54.80	11.60	43.50	107.19	13.08		5.00	20.00	30.00	10.00	26.00	12.35			105.00	10.00	3.95	440.47
Salina, Evening Group	14.40	4.80	18.00	108.06				10.00				10.00			25.00			190.26
St. Joseph, First	42.00	14.00	52.50	133.48		13.53		20.00	25.00	30.00			100.00		81.05			511.56
St. Joseph, L. Schwab Circle			50.00															50.00
Topeka, First	22.80	7.60	27.00	55.00			5.50					10.70			26.50		7.00	162.10
Tulsa, Women's Guild A	28.80	9.60	36.00	87.19		9.30									50.00			234.39
Tulsa, Women's Guild B	12.00	4.00	22.50												10.00			48.50
Valley Falls, Mission Guild	10.20	3.70	12.00	25.17			.90			.90		8.00			20.00	15.00		95.87
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	18.00	6.00		40.00			5.00	10.00			5.00				9.50	5.25		98.75
Washington, St. Paul's	15.90	5.30	19.50	40.59							5.00	11.00			5.00			102.29
Waterville, St. Mark's	11.20		4.70	26.70			.40							1.50				44.50
Waterville, Hebron Society	25.20	8.40		14.46			1.95							1.50				51.51
Wellington, St. John's	12.00	4.00	15.00	25.58								8.00			10.00			69.58
Wellington, Fidelis Society	6.00		10.00	10.32											5.00			31.32
Wichita, St. Paul's	48.30	16.10	60.50	331.83	27.80	19.65	14.75	90.00	100.00	50.00	226.25	11.20	90.00		160.66			1,259.04
Wichita, Mission Daughters	40.50	13.50	50.63	167.46				60.00		42.00	120.00	11.30	100.00	15.60	166.40			816.89
Wilson, Excelsior	23.00	7.20	5.00	59.54	4.50	4.00	2.85					10.11			15.00			131.20
Southern Conference															33.35			33.35
Eastern Conference															26.02			26.02
Western Conference															26.33			26.33
Convention offerings		83.01																83.01
Triennial Objective															6.00			6.00
Total Receipts	968.60	378.01	1081.42	2599.72	91.03	223.10	123.16	580.00	355.00	167.90	437.25	213.94	340.00	22.24	1865.39	76.10	13.45	9,729.94
Balance, January 10, 1945	26.10	383.45	147.16	227.23	8.48		356.78	10.00		1.80		14.30			64.01			1,264.32
Grand Total	994.70	761.46	1228.58	2826.95	99.51	223.10	479.95	590.00	355.00	169.70	437.25	228.24	340.00	22.24	1929.40	76.10	13.45	10,994.26
Disbursements	966.80	352.27	1000.00	2499.61	90.01	223.10	365.00	570.00	355.00	169.00	432.25	228.24	340.00	22.24	1850.00	76.10	13.45	9,781.80
Balance, January 10, 1946	27.90	409.19	228.58	327.34	9.50		114.95	20.00		.70	5.00				79.40			1,212.46

INCLUDED IN TOTALS—

Jewish Mission, (Balance)	25.00
Kansas City, St. Mark's W. M. S., L. Schwab birthday	10.00
Kansas City, St. Mark's, Two Members Lutheran World Action	35.00
Kansas City, Trinity W. M. S., Boxwork	5.00
Kansas City, Children's Mem. Luminaire Soc.	5.00
Wichita, St. Paul's Mission Daughters, Jacob Nah	5.00
Wichita, St. Paul's Mission Daughters, Kommarock	24.50

INCLUDED IN TOTALS—

Wichita, St. Paul's W. M. S., Puerto Rico	12.00
Topeka, First W. M. S., Virgin Islands	13.50
Salina, St. John's W. M. S., Rocky Boy	5.00
Salina, St. John's W. M. S., Kommarock	5.00
Lancaster, St. John's W. M. S., Rocky Boy	10.00
Convention, Boxwork	37.00

HARRIET KJERULFF, Synodical Treasurer.

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ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

The Women's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States

Organized October 14, 1880

Year	Place	President	Secretary	Treasurer
1880	Lawrence	Mrs. S. S. Waltz	Mrs. A. J. Kissell	Mrs. H. F. Long
1881	Bunkerhill	Mrs. S. S. Waltz	Mrs. I. M. Yost	Mrs. H. F. Long
1882	Salina	Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser	Mrs. J. A. Bright	Mrs. H. F. Long
1883	Eureka	Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser	Mrs. J. E. Herbst	Mrs. A. J. Kissell
1884	Topeka	Mrs. A. J. Kissell	Mrs. J. M. Cromer	Mrs. J. A. Bright
1885	Peabody	Mrs. M. J. Schauer	Mrs. F. D. Altman	Mrs. J. E. Herbst
1886	Waterville	Mrs. O. J. Peters	Mrs. L. L. Belmer	Mrs. J. E. Herbst
1887	Abilene	Mrs. L. L. Belmer	Amanda Boorey	Mrs. J. E. Herbst
1888	Lawrence	Mrs. J. M. Cromer	Mrs. H. Jones	Mrs. S. Rentz
1889	Atchison	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. S. Rentz
1890	Salina	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. A. M. Porch
1891	Emporia	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. A. M. Porch
1892	Kansas City	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. A. M. Porch
1893	Kansas City	Mrs. M. J. Schauer	Mrs. E. P. Briggs	Mrs. J. M. Searles
1894	Topeka	Mrs. Ella C. Beegle	Mrs. J. N. Lents	Mrs. M. F. Selig
1895	Abilene	Mrs. Ella C. Beegle	Mrs. J. N. Lents	Mrs. M. F. Selig
1896	Lawrence	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. R. H. Williams	Ms. John Hoffer
1897	Peabody	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. R. H. Williams	Ma. John Hoffer
1898	Hutchinson	Mrs. John Hoffer	Josephine Maedel	Mrs. G. S. Funk
1899	Atchison	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Josephine Maedel	Mrs. G. S. Funk
1900	Waterville	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Ada Livers	Mrs. H. A. Ott
1901	Wellington	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Ada Livers	Mrs. H. A. Ott
1902	Salina	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. C. N. Swihart	Ms. J. W. Ball
1903	St. Joseph	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Lena Korn
1904	Eureka	Mrs. H. A. Ott	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. R. B. Wolf
1905	Emporia	Mrs. H. A. Ott	Mrs. P. A. Lutt	Mrs. R. B. Wolf
1906	Topeka	Mrs. H. L. Yarger	Mrs. B. R. Lants	Mrs. R. B. Wolf
1907	Ottawa	Mrs. H. L. Yarger	Mrs. A. V. Myser	Mrs. I. B. Heisey
1908	Peabody	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. I. B. Heisey
1909	Kansas City	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. H. R. Moss
1910	Lawrence	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. H. R. Moss
1911	Abilene	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey
1912	Hays	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. Andreas Bard	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey
1913	St. Joseph	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. Andreas Bard	Mrs. R. R. Stauffer
1914	Eureka	Mrs. A. R. Schrader	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. H. Runkle
1915	Topeka	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. H. Runkle
1916	Lawrence	Mrs. C. S. Brewer	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Mrs. P. Mennenoch
1917	Wichita	Mrs. C. S. Brewer	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Mrs. H. Runkle
1918	Lawrence	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. W. D. Ziegler	Mrs. H. Runkle
1919	Salina	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. H. W. Hanshue	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1920	Atchison	Mrs. W. B. Winsenried	Mrs. A. L. Grosscloss	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1921	Emporia	Mrs. S. S. Kauffman	Mrs. J. J. Clemens	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1922	Peabody	Mrs. S. S. Kauffman	Mrs. A. L. Grosscloss	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1923	Hutchinson	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Nelle F. Pugh	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1924	Wellington	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Nelle F. Pugh	Mrs. E. S. Gaston
1925	Abilene	Mrs. H. Runkle	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1926	Wichita	Mrs. H. Runkle	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1928	Oklahoma City	Mrs. D. L. McConnell	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1929	Kansas City	Mrs. D. L. McConnell	Mrs. R. R. Bang	Mrs. W. C. Miller
1930	Lawrence	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. C. Miller
1931	Hays	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. G. C. Smith
1932	Hutchinson	Mrs. G. K. Mykland	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. C. Smith
1933	Topeka	Mrs. G. K. Mykland	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1934	St. Joseph	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1935	Tulsa	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1936	Salina	Mrs. J. P. Jensen	Mrs. E. P. Boorey	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1937	Wichita	Mrs. J. P. Jensen	Mrs. E. P. Boorey	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1938	Oklahoma City	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. L. Search	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1939	Kansas City	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. L. Search	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1940	Atchison	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Miss Helen Fink	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1941	Lawrence	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Miss Helen Fink	Miss Harriet Kjerulff
1942	Abilene	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Miss Helen Fink	Miss Harriet Kjerulff
1943	Topeka	Mrs. R. E. Gaston	Mrs. Kenneth Jackson	Miss Harriet Kjerulff
1944	Kansas City	Mrs. C.C. Emmerich	Mrs. Kenneth Jackson	Miss Harriet Kjerulff
1945	Wichita	Mrs. C.C. Emmerich	Mrs. Kenneth Jackson	Miss Helen Fink
1946	Abilene	Mrs. C. C. Emmerich	Mrs. Ernest Tonsing	